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A PUBLIC HEARING

COUNTY FUEL COMMITTEE TO PROBE DEALER AND CONSUMER

ORDERS ARE RECEIVED

Final Instructions From State Administrator Here Today—Meeting at Court House Saturday

Maryville and Nodaway county, in common with the rest of the state, is again facing a serious shortage of coal and it may be necessary to commandeer the empty cars now on the railroads going to various points to be filled with other commodities, for the mines. This was the statement today of J. J. Heifner, county fuel administrator, who has been in close touch with the state fuel administrator, Wallace Crossley. "There is very little coal in Maryville and with railroad traffic demoralized the situation may become acute," said Mr. Heifner. "I don't believe the people realize just how serious the coal situation is."

The county fuel committee, J. J. Heifner, chairman, Newt Morgan, Parnell, and A. F. Stitt of Burlington Junction, will conduct a public hearing Saturday at one o'clock at the court house in an effort to get suggestions from both the dealers and the public. They ask that every coal dealer in the county who can attend the hearing and present their side. The public—the individual consumer—is also urged to attend and advise the committee what has been paid for coal and whether they have gotten the kind of coal paid for, if weights have been correct and other information that will serve to aid the committee in arriving at a decision as to just prices.

"We have our complete instructions and know just what is required," said Mr. Heifner, "and are now in position to act intelligently. As soon as the public hearing is ended we will set the price to the consumer for the various grades of coal handled in this county. We have full authority to enforce our ruling in the matter and will see that every dealer abides by the decision of the fuel committee. If dealers are disposed to do business at the price we name they will have to get into some other kind of business, for we are going to see that the consumer is given every protection possible."

TO DINE ON RABBIT

MEN OF FIRST M. E. CHURCH TO GIVE ANNUAL GAME DINNER

HEAR TOM MIDDLETON

Well Known Speaker Will Be Heard at Event Tomorrow Night — 150 Guests Are Expected

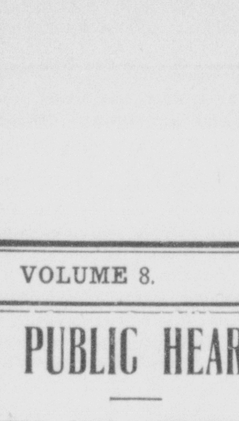
Chicken is no longer the piece de resistance at church dinners and banquets and the festive cottontail now occupies the place of honor at the head of the table. Rabbit is the top liner on the menu tomorrow evening at the annual dinner of the Men's Brotherhood of the First M. E. church. The men have made elaborate preparations to make the event the most enjoyable of the many they have given.

As chief after dinner speaker, Tom C. Middleton of Tarkio, and a favorite in Maryville, will speak on the subject, "Men and the Bible." A musical program will include vocal selections and instrumental music by Lee and Leonard Maier.

While rabbit will be the chief item on the menu, there will also be plenty of other good things that go to make up a game dinner, such as potatoes, cold slaw, baked apples, pickles, olives, ice cream, cake and coffee. The dinner will be served at half after six o'clock with plates provided for 150 persons. Members of the church and their friends will be welcome. A charge of fifty cents will be made for the men and the ladies will be guests.

In preparation for the event ten hunters, Ab Fite, J. Arthur Wray, Walter Wray, George Herron, John Price, Brint Embree, Will Bracken, C. A. McCoppin, Chester Bennett and Rev. Gilbert S. Cox invaded the lair of bunny cottontail yesterday and brought home a bag of ninety young rabbits. Yesterday evening was spent in dressing them, and from present indications there will be no vacant places at the banquet table.

Women of St. Patrick's church will hold Christmas market Saturday, Dec. 15, at Montgomery's Shoe store. Hot coffee and sandwiches served.



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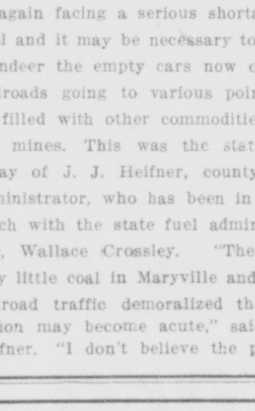

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—BUD VASE $1.25
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A JUNIOR RED CROSS

COMMITTEES NAMED FOR ORGANIZATION IN COUNTY

READY NOW FOR UNITS

Executive Committee is Composed of Prof. Bert Cooper, Supt. J. M. McDonald and Miss Beulah Brunner

War activities in Nodaway county have been supplemented with the organization of a Junior Red Cross Society and every pupil will have an opportunity to serve. The recent extension of the American Red Cross to the schools through its Junior membership and school activities is designed primarily to be an educational function, making the teacher and the pupil immediately and increasingly useful in their natural center of work, the school.

As organized by the Nodaway Red Cross chapter the following will compose the committees:

Executive committee — Prof. Bert Cooper, chairman; Supt. J. M. McDonald, treasurer; and Miss Beulah Brunner.

Additional members of the committee assigned to the different towns in the county are as follows:

Supt. W. A. Power, Parnell.
Ethel Stevenson, Parnell.
Supt. M. J. Wixson, Hopkins.
Miss Alma Mack, Pickering.
Mrs. Wesley Baker, Ravenwood.
Miss Louise McCann, Ravenwood.
Sister Mary Maura, Clyde.
Supt. E. R. Adams, Skidmore.
Sister M. Flavia, Conception.
Mrs. Dora Etchison, Guilford.
Supt. J. W. Pierce, Barnard.
Supt. J. N. Geyer, Graham.
Mrs. Nora Lashlee, Quitman.
Supt. W. C. Settle, Burlington Jct.
Supt. W. N. Yetter, Elmo.
Mrs. Nettie Stuart, Ravenwood.
Miss May Growney, Clearmont.
Supt. J. M. McDonald, Maryville.
Miss Beulah Brunner, Maryville.
Supt. Bert Cooper, Maryville.
Prof. S. H. Richards, Conception Jc.
Burt M. Rowley, Maryville.
Nick Sturm, Maryville.

In announcing the organization of a Junior Red Cross Society, President Wilson, who is also president of the American Red Cross, says:

"The school is the natural center of your life. Through it you can best work in the great cause of freedom to which we have pledged ourselves.

"Our Junior Red Cross will bring to you opportunities of service to your community and other communities all over the world, and guide your service with high and religious ideals. It will teach you how to save in order that suffering children elsewhere may have the chance to live. It will teach you how to prepare some of the supplies which wounded soldiers and homeless families lack. It will send to you through the Red Cross Bulletins the thrilling stories of relief and rescue. And best of all, more perfectly than through any other of your school lessons, you will learn by doing these kind things under your teacher's direction to be the future good citizen of this great country which we all love."

Is not this perhaps the chance for which you have been looking to give your time and efforts in some measure to meet our national needs?

The Junior Red Cross is independent of the American Red Cross and reports to the county chapter but once a year, division headquarters being at St. Louis, from which place instructions for work to be done will come.

Its organization follows the same line as the Red Cross, but in more simple manner. The teachers and pupils of the local schools have been anxious for the organization for some time and are eager to enter the work. With the committees named the formation of working units all over the county will result without further delay.

THE U;S. GUARD IS CREATED

Washington, Dec. 13.—The United States Guard, the body of armed Americans that will take over the guarding of munitions plants, railroads, and like essentials of warfare in this country was created today. The first increment will be 25,000 men, divided into forty battalions.. They will immediately relieve the regular troops and will include men between thirty-one and forty-five. The service will be voulntary.

3,000 Y. W. C. A. GIRLS WILL LIVE NEAR CAMP TO DANCE WITH SOLDIERS

Seattle, Dec. 13. — Three thousand girls will be enlisted by the Y. W. C. A. to live in a special hotel at the gates of Camp Lewis — America's biggest army camp — and act as dancing partners for soldiers in pavilions to be erected.

The girls will be under the supervision of the Y. W. C. A., and ministerial chaperons.

A minimum wage of $15 a week will be paid the girls. They will receive a commission of five cents on every dance. Soldiers will pay ten cents.

IN SOCIAL SERVICE

MISS TURNER FINISHES COURSE FOR RED CROSS WORK

IS SOLDIER'S REAL AID

Will Keep in Close Touch With Families Who Will Need Advice and Help—There'll be Plenty to Do

Miss Bettie Turner, who was sent by the Nodaway county Red Cross chapter to St. Louis, where she took a six weeks' study course in the American Red Cross home service institute, has returned to Maryville and is ready to take up her duties as a home service worker.

Miss Turner is not yet ready to announce her plans for carrying on the work in this section, but there will be no delay in beginning active operations.

The class of social service workers with which Miss Turner studied was composed of twenty-five persons from Missouri, Tennessee, Kansas, Nebraska and Oklahoma, and it was under the instruction of Dr. George B. Mangold, head of the state department of social economy.

A conference will be held in St. Joseph next Monday and every chapter in this section is expected to send a representative. Any Red Cross worker is invited to attend and gain an insight into home service methods of organization and of real field work as experienced with soldiers' families under expert supervision.

To Keep the Soldier's Family.

The home service, as a part of the Red Cross, means home adjustment and a maintaining as near as possible of the normal life of the family from which the men have been taken for war service. This readjustment comes through the lines of health; school; management of the business which many times falls upon an inexperienced woman; to help the mother in many problems that might confront her in the absence of the father, and to help the soldier's family in every way that counts for health and better living.

Home service presents the Red Cross in the light of a personal friend to the soldier's family and embraces three phases—effective personal relationships; the analysis of disabilities and powers in the families to be served, and the use of various community resources for strengthening and enriching family life when it is more or less disorganized.

Upon her return from the conference in St. Joseph, Monday, Miss Turner will start her plans for organizing the home service section for Nodaway county.

This conference is for the sections supervised by Miss Turner and Miss Lena Parrott of St. Joseph and will be held jointly by them, aided by Mr. Strubell of St. Louis, assistant to A. W. Fairbanks of St. Louis, divisional director of civilian relief for the American Red Cross. Miss Parrott is secretary of the Y. W. C. A. at St. Joseph.

Mr. and Mrs. Wiley Zook, John Zook and Lela Early of Skidmore drove to St. Joseph on business today. .

C. F. Remus went to St. Joseph on business today.

The office of Chas. A. Bone will be closed all day tomorrow out of respect to the late Dr. A. T. Still of Kirksville, founder of Osteopathy.

HOPE TO ENROLL ALL

READY TO START RED CROSS XMAS MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

CHAIRMEN ARE NAMED

Busy Men Will Lay Aside Their Business Next Week to Help Make the Campaign in Nodaway a Success

Everything is in readiness for the Red Cross Christmas membership campaign in Nodaway county. The organization for the big drive which begins Monday, December 17, has practically been perfected and the campaign will prove the liveliest proposition of its nature Nodaway county has experienced in years. It will not be a campaign for the few, but one that every true American will want to lend assistance to.

A Red Cross sermon in every church in Maryville will be preached Sunday, December 16, prior to the opening of the campaign. Ministers will explain to their congregations the nature of the organization and the great work that has been outlined for it in the present crisis.

Both General Pershing and General Petain have repeatedly said that a great membership in the Red Cross in America today means as much to the morale and spirit of the men in the trenches and the sailors on the seas as additional troops on the battle front.

F. P. Robinson, campaign manager, declared that a great national service could be performed by making Red Cross membership as universal as citizenship.

Backing Up the Fighters.

"Every man, woman and child with a heart and a dollar can join the Red Cross and help mobilize the heart and soul of America in the united support of our soldiers and sailors and of their destitute families wherever they may be," the campaign manager said.

Half of the money collected for membership remains in the local branch for the support of all Red Cross work in this vicinity. Mr. Robinson announced today the following campaign chairmen for Maryville and Nodaway county:

Polk township, outside Maryville—Roy J. Curfman.
First ward in Maryville — Henry Westfall.
Second ward in Maryville—Mrs. L. E. Forsyth.
Third ward in Maryville—Dr. Malotte.
Fourth ward in Maryville — Chas. McCaffrey.
Washington township—Dr. Barnett.
Grant township—S. H. Conlin.
Hughes township—Prince Trapp.
Monroe township—W. G. Reynolds.
Green township—H. C. Bailey.
Lincoln township—Geo. Shoptaugh.
Atchison township—John Clary..
Nodaway township — Rev. Horace Weaver.
Union township—Wilbur Smith.
Hopkins township—W. L. Robb.
Independence township—Newt Morgan.
Jackson township—E. F. Bishop.
Jefferson township—To be named.
White Cloud township — To be named.

These busy people, all of the busy folks, are giving all of their time to the work and they will need many helpers. It is urged that those who may be asked to lay aside their affairs and cheerfully assist.

It is also reported that all persons doing the actual solicitation for members under any of the above captains, to fill out the cards plainly and with correct addresses and to report promptly to the particular manager under whom they are working

SHAW, A MO. UNIVERSITY MAN

Young Birdman, Who Died in France, Was Schoolmate of D. M. Warren

Irwin Shaw, whose death was reported in yesterday's paper, with the American expeditionary force to France, was a schoolmate of David M. Warren, advertising manager of the Democrat-Forum. Shaw was graduated from the Greenfield, Mo., high school in 1914 and was a student in the schools of engineering, Valparaiso University, in 1914-15, and at the University of Missouri in 1915-16. He enlisted as a mechanic in the aviation corps last spring and was in training for several months at Austin, Texas. He left for France last August.

SAM YEAGER'S HOME BURNED

Only a Few Pieces of Furniture and Piano Were Saved — Carried Insurance for One-Third

The five-room dwelling house owned and occupied by Sam Yeager and located six miles west of Maryville, was burned to the ground about five o'clock yesterday afternoon. The fire is thought to have started from a defective flue. Some clothing, bedding, the piano and a few other pieces of furniture were saved. About one-third of the damage is covered by insurance.

RURAL SCHOOLS IN CONTEST

Pickering High School Will Make Awards for Best Declamations—Four Schools to Compete

The Pickering High School will hold a series of four declamatory contests for the rural schools of the community. The winners in each of the first three contests will receive gold, silver and bronze medals. The winners of the first three contests will compete in the fourth contest. The winning school will receive a silver cup, the name of the school and the name of the winner being engraved thereon. The first contest will be held Thursday, December 20, at 8 o'clock at the Methodist church at Pickering.

COLD WAVE GAME IN ON TIME

No Relief Is In Sight Until Saturday Will Go to Ten Below Tonight Weather Bureau Says

The cold wave forecasted by the weather bureau in warnings sent out yesterday afternoon beats the local train service for punctuality of schedule. It arrived right on time and early this morning the mercury had tumbled to fifteen degrees below. A high wind started early last night—also according to schedule—bringing with it a small amount of snow. There is little relief in sight, the weather bureau announces, and another below zero night is forecast for tonight, the thermometer going to ten below. More snow is also predicted.

Big snows in eastern Missouri, ranging from ten to fifteen inches in depth through the center and eastern portion, have been responsible for the interrupted train service. The snow is a foot deep at Moberly and other points along the Wabash route east.

DIED IN OMAHA HOSPITAL

Mrs. M. M. Gardner Was Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. McClain of Parnell

Mr. and Mrs. Frank McClain of Parnell received a telegram this morning stating that their daughter, Mrs. M. M. Gardner, had died at one o'clock last night at the Lister hospital in Omaha, following a four weeks' illness of peritonitis. The body will be brought to Parnell tomorrow for burial.

Mrs. Gardner is survived by her husband, her parents, and two brothers, Ben McClain of Parnell and Ernest McClain of Omaha.

Rev. Father Berthold of Conception is in Maryville on business today.

COL. GEORGE DUNCAN

Colonel Duncan is in command of one of the regiments in General Pershing's expeditionary force.

3,000 GERMAN AIRPLANES ON WEST FRONT

PREPARATIONS FOR BIG OFFENSIVE ARE GOING ON BEHIND TEUTON LINES

BRITISH STOPPED A BIG DRIVE WEDNESDAY

On the Cambrai Front in France an Attempt Was Made on the North But Small Gain Was Achieved With Large Loss of Men

Paris, Dec. 13.—The Germans now have three thousand airplanes on the western front, it is estimated today, and preparations are going on for what appears to be a big offensive that will be launched soon.

London, Dec. 13.—Three heavy attacks were delivered against the British on the Cambrai front during Wednesday, but all were repulsed, the war office announced.

The demand of the London Times for an investigation of the retirement at Cambrai has been followed by an article in the Manchester Guardian, the most influential British newspaper outside of London, severely criticising General Byng.

The lull on the Cambrai front in France has been broken by a German attack on the northern side of the salient, but the dispatches today said that the gain achieved was out of all proportion to the number of losses sustained by the attackers.

Clearing winter weather has resulted in keen aerial activity. At least four German airplanes have been shot down, while the Germans admit the loss of three.

BIG WAR JOB FOR BORLAND

Congressman From Kansas City Put at Head of Sub-Committee of House Appropriations

Washington, Dec. 13.—Representative Borland of Kansas City was today placed at the head of a sub-committee of the House appropriations committee which will prepare the fortifications bill, appropriating three billion dollars. His selection for this important post followed the promotion of Representative Sherley of Kentucky, who has become chairman of the appropriations committee, succeeding Representative Fitzgerald of New York, who resigned his seat in the House.

HEADQUARTERS FOR DRAFT

Wallis Office Building Adjoining Empire Theatre Secured—A Secretary in Charge Tomorrow

The draft board is occupying new quarters, having rented office room in the building occupied by Dr.. Frank Wallis adjoining the Empire theatre. All who have business to transact in connection with the draft will find a secretary in charge tomorrow to attend to their wants. No draft business will be conducted at the court house.

A number of applications for clerk have been placed with the board and a selection will be made this evening. The successful applicatn will be placed in charge immediately to arrange for the mailing of the questionnaier on December 15, the dat ewhen every local board in the United States will begin mailing them.

THE WEATHER

Snow tonight and probably Friday; slowly rising temperature tonight.

Feature Tonight

Empire Theatre

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Paramount Pictures, with

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A Charming Star of a Hundred Photo Play Successes, in

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A Wonderful Story of Mother Love.

Tomorrow—"Shall We Forgive Her?"

AGAIN Christmas and the Holidays are at hand and our store is headquarters for appropriate gifts at prices which really represent money saving. It is certainly to your advantage to make your selections now while our big stock contains such a wide and complete range of suitable presents

GLOVES
Special Christmas assortment of men's and boys' gloves. Lined and unlined. Priced from.....25c to $6.00

SWEATERS
Sweater coats make fine gifts. We have the best makes and all the popular styles and colors.....75c to $10.00

MUFFLERS
All the latest styles, plain colors and smart combination of colors.....50c to $3.00

SUSPENDERS in Holiday Gift Boxes.
An inexpensive present. Prices range from 25c to 50c.

BATHROBES
Men's terry cloth and blanket robes. Many different colors and designs. All prices.

HOSE
Men's guaranteed Black Cat and Holeproof hose in lisle and silk 25c, 35c, 50c and 75c.

Useful Gifts

Mackinaws.....$3.50 to $10.00
Hats.....$2.00 to $5.00
Cloth Caps.....50c to $1.50
Fur Caps.....$3.00 to $4.00
Underwear.....50c to $4.00
Suit Cases.....$1.00 to $15.00
Traveling Bags $2.50 to $15.00
Shoes.....$3.00 to $6.50
Gloves.....50c to $6.00
Hose.....25c to 75c

The "Deluxe Present"

A Suit or Overcoat

$10 to $30

Useful Gifts

Raincoats.....$3.50 to $12.50
Pajamas.....$1.00 to $2.50
Night Robes....$1.00 to $1.50
Auto Gloves.....$1.50 to $3.00
Jewelry.....25c to $1.50
Shirts.....50c to $5.00
Cravats.....25c to $1.00
Sweaters.....50c to $10.00
Combination Sets..25c to $1.00
Belts.....25c to 50c

SILK SHIRTS
If you want to give something real fine, give him a silk shirt. We have an excellent line of PURE SILK SHIRTS in beautiful patterns. You must see them to appreciate them. Special price....$5.00

NECKWEAR
If you admire pretty patterns and distinctive designs you will surely find our showing unexcelled.....25c to $1.00

HANDK'CHFS are Always Appreciated.
Plain and fancy initial handkerchiefs. Prices range from 10c to 50c each.

LADIES' GUARANTEED SIL KHOSE
The celebrated "Black Cat" brand, bought by us before the recent advance in raw silk. Two pairs in fancy Christmas box, all colors, a splendid present. 75c a pair.

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All Packages Wrapped Free in Holly Paper

BIRDMEN SMASH AERIAL RECORDS

500 AND 600 MILE NON-STOP FLIGHTS ARE COMMON

BIG FACTOR IN THE WAR

Seemingly Impossible Feats Are Being Accomplished Every Day by Men Trained for the Service

Paris, Dec. 13.—So many speed and distance records have been shattered and set and then surpassed again in the last ten days by Allied aviators that it is doubtful if the best performances will ever be straightened out and set down on the official books.

But aviators have been flying from points in England and in France to the Italian front every day, as the British and French war offices have outdone themselves in their efforts to reinforce the French aviation section. Pilots just breveted—and there were a certain number of Americans among them — soared into the air, and following the lead of an instructor or some veteran aviator, set their course for Italy.

Youths who had not sat in an aeroplane two months before, duplicated the feat of Roland Garros which startled the world a few years ago; the traversing of the Italian Alps. Flights of four, five or six hundred miles without stop were common occurrences. And in all cases the average speed maintained was considerably more than 100 miles per hour.

One of General Cadorna's first requests to the French and British was for reinforcements in aeroplanes and pilots. The Germans had assembled several score of their best fighting and bombarding escadrilles on the Italian front and had struck suddenly in a body. In one day the German formations had practically cleared the air of Italian fighting aircraft, and they followed up this advantage by sending over into the Italian lines squadron after squadron of bombing machines. Incendiary bombs and aerial torpedoes were rained on the Italian aviation fields and the hangars and Italian aircraft burned together.

Both the French and British general staffs realized that without its "eyes" the Italian army might wander into traps and pitfalls. And they gave the order at once to reinforce the Italian aviation service with their own escadrilles. The order went out to all the aviation camps and schools in England and France. Within a few hours the orders were being executed.

Pilots having passed their brevets were mustered out on the fields. They were told to wear two leather and rubber union suits instead of the single garment they usually wear. The gasoline tanks were filled and they were instructed to follow the leader. Then they soared off in long conveys, all headed for the Italian Alps.

Some of the British machines went clear across England, traversed the Channel, then soared over France and scaled the Alps and proceeded straight on to the Tagliamento line without ever descending. French machines flew from remote corners of the republic over the great mountain range and across the plains of Lombardy to Udine, arriving there before the Italians were forced to retreat from that strategic railway center.

I may not even vaguely indicate the number of aeroplanes that were sent from France and England, but I can state that the number of accidents was as low as the average total for a day at any of the big aviation schools.

Read Democrat-Forum Want Ads.

The Gift Store

THERE is no gift that can surpass in real joy giving the gift of Jewelry. For countless centuries the jewel has been the emblem of love and friendship, and is the one present, the value of which may be unmeasurable.

And now-days presents of gold and silver are not only ornamental but have the highest usefulness in every home.

You will be sure to find just what you want in this store

WATCHES
Elgin and Waltham watches...$7.00 and up
Gent's Wrist Watches $3.25 to $35.00.
Bracelet Watches in a large variety of styles and prices. A most acceptable present for a woman.....$15 to $50

RINGS
The most personal gift of all. Every kind and all prices.

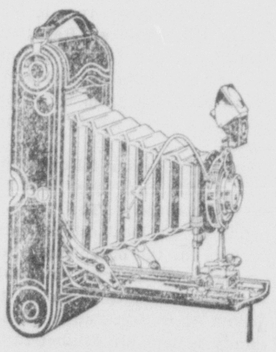
WHITE IVORY
A complete line in toilet sets and toilet accessories, in excellent white Pyralin Ivory. A woman never has too many ivory articles. Also sterling silver sets.

MEN'S JEWELRY
Men like nice articles of jewelry, as well as women. Let us show you some of the many articles that will please a man.

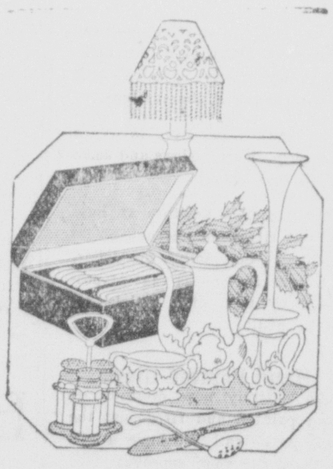
LEATHER GOODS
A very complete line in Coin Purses, Bill Folds, Collar Bags, Music Rolls, Music Holders, etc.

KODAKS
A Kodak gives unceasing joy and the recipient can use it the year round. No soldier friend should be without one. Priced for all purses....$1.50 to $50

BOOKS
Many new books just arrived. The latest war books and popular novels. Also many new copyright books, only 60 cents. Give a book lover the gift he desires.



SILVERWARE
Your relatives and friends never have enough silverware. So please them with a few gifts of our silverware, which comes in a range of prices that everyone can afford. Every day the receiver of a silverware gift will be reminded of thoughtfulness of the giver. An early selection is advisable.



It is doubtful if you could find a store in Nodaway County with as varied a stock of just the kind of things you want to give at Christmas time. We invite your inspection of our store at any time.

Kuchs Brothers

BOOKS JEWELRY STATIONERY

THE NEW AUTO LAWS

NEW REGULATIONS ARE IN EFFECT AFTER FEBRUARY 1

BAR BLINDING LIGHTS

Purchasers Warned to Have Nothing to do With a Car That Has Motor Number Chiseled Off

Nodaway county automobile owners—and there are 2811 of them, according to records in the office of the secretary of state—will be interested in the new motor vehicle law which takes effect February 1. Secretary of State John L. Sullivan has given out the following information concerning the new law:

All certificates of registration, number plates and chauffeur badges issued for use during 1917 expire on January 31, 1918, and should be renewed on or before February 1.

Application blanks for 1918 will be mailed to all who have registered automobiles during 1917. Should your blank fail to reach you, make application for same during January. It is not necessary that the application be sworn to..

Applications will be received on and after January 1, 1918, but not prior thereto.

By filling out your application and forwarding to the secretary of state, Jefferson City, during the month of January, you can save money for the Good Road Fund, avoid congestion in the department, enabling you to receive your number plate during February.

Do not forget to give the motor number of your automobile.

To Check Auto Thieves.

The new law requires an index to be kept of this department according to motor number. This to aid in the location of stolen cars.

The legislature has doubled the registration fee. Such fee is prorated, however. To illustrate: The annual registration fee for a 22-horse power car is $6.00. If application for registration is made after August 1, one-half of the annual fee only shall be paid; if application is made after November 1, one-fourth of the annual fee shall be paid.

The registration fee for a dealer is $10.00. Extra plates, $5.00 per set.

Two number plates will be issued during 1918; one for the front and one for the rear of each motorvehicle. Motorcycles and motortricycles shall display but one plate on the rear thereof.

The fee for registration of a chauffeur is $1.50.

Watch Your Lights.

All automobiles while in use on the public highways shall carry on the front at least two lighted lamps, not exceeding 36-candle power each, showing white lights visible under normal atmospheric conditions, at least five hundred feet in the direction towards which the car is facing. Such lights to produce sufficient light to reveal objects one hundred and fifty feet ahead, and adjusted and directed so that on level ground the main shaft of clear, condensed light shall be projected straight forward, no portion of it above the level of the lamp, nor more than forty-two inches above the ground; such adjustment and direction to be permanently maintained. Electric headlights shall have the entire inside surface of their door glasses etched or ground to such a degree that the lights shall appear blurred, and the light emitted defused and free form brilliant or metallic lustre. One red light to be carried on all automobiles.

No Blinding Lights.

Dirigible headlights shall not be used on the public highways within cities or towns, except in emergency, or when the headlights are inadequate, and then only providing the shaft of condensed light is directed downward below the middle of the lamp and at no time into the eyes of persons. Searchlights may be used on public highways outside the limits of cities or towns, provided the light is directed downward.

Muffler cut-outs shall not be used. Any cut-out or opening in the exhaust pipe, between the engine or muffler on any car, shall be completely closed and disconnected from its operating lever, and so arranged that it cannot automatically open or be opened or operated while the car is in motion.

Beware of Second-Hand Cars.

Before purchasing a used or second hand automobile, require the owner to turn over to you the certificate of registration and metal tag. Examine the factory or motor number on the car to see that it corresponds with the number given on the certificate of registration. If they do not correspond, do not purchase the car. If the owner of a second hand car claims the registration certificate has been lost or misplaced, do not purchase such car until he procures from this department a duplicate certificate and turns the same over to you with the metal tag when he delivers the car. Have nothing to do with a car which has the motor number chiseled off, obliterated or covered. Do not rely on the metal tag alone, because there are hundreds of lost and stolen tags in the state which have been switched to other cars.

If purchasers of second hand cars will heed the advice given above by this department it will break the nefarious traffic in stolen cars, save the state thousands of dollars in registration fees and an incalculable amount of trouble and expense to innocent purchasers.

Branch offices will be opened in St Louis and Kansas City for distribution of license plates to residents of these cities. Location and date of opening of such offices will be announced through the press. To facilitate matters, residents of these cities are requested to have blanks properly filled out before presenting for license plate.

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Buys Chambers Farm.

Irvin Chambers has purchased the farm of 160 acres, located about thirteen miles north of Maryville, of Jas. Ringgold at $125 per acre.

Read Democrat-Forum Want Ads.

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The COUNTRY GENTLEMAN

The quicker the better. No man who owns or lives on a farm can afford to be without it. It has shown thousands how to get bigger crops and better prices with less work and no worry. It can do the same for you.

This national farm paper covers the entire field of farm production and selling, home life and community interests. The people who write for The Country Gentleman are men who have worked in the soil, women who have lived on farms. They know what's what.

I am sure that if you fully realize how much The Country Gentleman would do for you and how much your whole family would enjoy reading it every week, you'd send me your subscription today. It's an investment you'll never regret.

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CAPITOL IS CROWDED

WAR HAS ADDED 50,000 TO THE POPULATION OF WASHINGTON

OFFICES IN DWELLINGS

Hotel Rates Have Increased Enormously and Reservations Must be Made Long in Advance

(From the New York Herald)

Senator Henry W. Ashurst comes from Arizona — not in the West — where mushroom towns that spring up overnight through the striking of oil, the discovery of gold, silver or copper or the opening of great government reservations are not much of a novelty. So Mr. Ashurst may be quoted as an authority.

"I've been in some of the wildest mushroom towns you can imagine,' he said, the other night, "but nothing I've ever seen can compare just now with the city of Washington.

"When a mushroom town starts people manage somehow to get along —maybe folks don't expect very much —but they manage. But Washington since the war has boomed out of all proportions.

"I've been to eight hotels and restaurants in the hope of getting something to eat, but now, three hours after I started I'm still going hungry. Every hotel and restaurant is crowded—it's almost impossible even to bribe your way to a table."

This is the general comment of every one who has been in Washington since the war began. Upward of 50,000 persons have been added to the population within the last six months, which, in the circumstances, is a far greater addition than might seem on the surface.

Washington's normal population is 350,000, of which a large percentage is negro—an element which, for the most part, lives by itself. In consequence the desirable sections of the city for residential purposes are considerably restricted.

Building Has Not Kept Pace.

Even before the declaration of war these sections were taxed to the utmost by the demand for accommodations. The building has not kept pace with the growth of the government under the Wilson administration, which has added many commissions, bureaus and individual offices to the general organization. Not only were there new officials, but the necessary staffs of private secretaries, stenographers and clerks who were to assist them. Even before the war apartment houses were filled.

Then came April 6 and the consequent expansion of the different government departments. In addition, the new organizations added to the list were the Council of National Defense, the bureau of export licenses, the food and fuel administration, the bureau of public information and many others. The result has been that more than ten thousand officials and clerks came to Washington, together with many army and navy officers needed for work in the departments. They brought with them their families and they sought places to live.

At the same time the war attracted to Washington hundreds of business agents, representing manufacturing concerns all over the country who wanted to sell war supplies. Many of them prepared to stay in Washington throughout the war. Others contented themselves with frequent trips.

Rents Have Doubled.

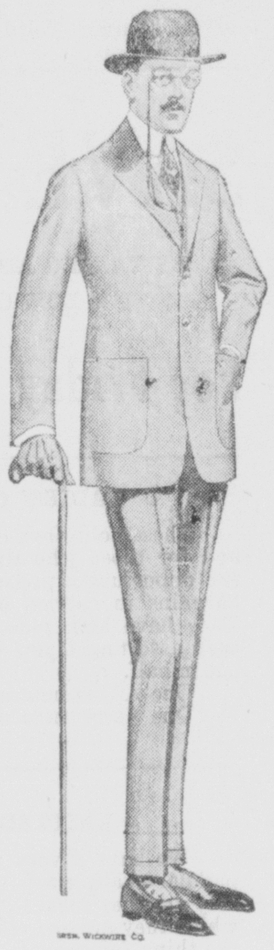
In consequence the demand for hotel accommodations, apartments and houses has been unprecedented in the history of the city. Instead of there being more room than heretofore there has been less, for the government has found it necessary to take over about half a dozen downtown apartment buildings for war offices One apartment house within walking distance of the war department was built to accommodate a hundred tenants. This is to be the headquarters of the aviation section of the army Others of similar size in the vicinity have been taken over for like purposes and those who held leases have been forced to vacate.

The result has been endless confusion and an enormous boosting of rents all over the city. Apartments that rented before the war for $50 now are renting for $75; apartments that brought $75 now are renting for $100 and even $150. It simply is a case of landlords being able to get almost anything they ask.

In the hotels a very similar situation exists. Rates have been increased enormously, and even then there are not accommodations for everybody. Persons who go to Washington frequently have adopted a system of making reservations long in advance. Those who arrive in the morning are never sure of being able to get a room at night. They register, but the clerks cannot promise anything. Even the small out-of-the-way hotels are doing a flourishing business.

Several large concerns which send representatives to Washington frequently have solved the problem to a degree by renting by the year a small apartment, which always is ready. This, of course, is expensive, but it insures a place to stop.

For Safety in Clothes Buying Come to This Store



When you buy clothes, first be careful about what they really are; the fabric all-wool; the tailoring of the best; the style just exactly what you want.

Then find out about the service; what surety is offered that they will last you well and satisfy as long as they last.

Hart Schaffner & Marx Clothes

That's your answer. They're just what you want in fabric, style, and fit and you get them with a double guarantee — ours and Hart Schaffner & Marx.

They're low priced for such quality. When you look at them you'll see what we mean.

Come here for Christmas purchases for man and boy. You can find just the right gift in our stock for Father, Brother, Son or Sweetheart.

Shop early!

Montgomery-Cummins
Clothing Company
First Door North Nodaway Valley Bank

PITY THE POOR FAT WOMAN

Council of Defense Declares That Suits Must Contain but Four and One-Half Yards of Goods

Pity the poor fat woman! Pity her for each of her one hundred, ninety pounds, for the Council of National Defense, through its wool conservation committee, has recently declared that no matter how much of a woman there is to cover, her woolen suit or dress may contain no more than four and one-half yards of 5-inch material.

They'll be wearing them higher at the bottom and lowe rat the top. They'll be wearing them tighter than sausage skins. They will have to, for every woolen garment manufacturer in the country of any importance attended the wool conservation meeting in Ne wYork and put himself on record as in favor of the "restricted garments."

"Our present stocks of full, all-wool dresses and suits with their nifty pockets and usual adornments of pleats and belts will be at a premium when the 'skinny things' come in," said one merchant today. "Any woman who has bought a suit or a dress this winter is in luck, fo rshe can cut down the full skirt to conform to the ne wtight silhouette—o rmake two skirts of it—and she will have the quality that it will soon be almost impossible to get. As long as we can we will buy all-wool goods, but when we can't, we can't, and that is all there is to it.

Another department store manager held a different idea.

"The women will fall hard for the return to the narrow, hsort skirt, because the shorter th eskirt, the greater their apparent youth—from a distance," he said. "Plain garments show better taste than furbelowed ones, anyway, and, as to individuality, that is not a matter of adding dew-dads. Variety can be secured in even the most severe garments by the manner in whoich they are cut."

A vogue of gingham gowns was also predicted as a possible solution to the wool conscription question. As much work will now be put on gingham frocks as was formerly expended on linen, lawn and silk—and the gingham garments will be quite aristocratic neighbors on the racks. Many combinations of silk and wool are also predicted to eake out the meager allowance of wool per garment."

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Does Not Rub Off, Lasts 4 Times as Long as Others, Saves Work.

Get a Can Today

Public Sale

I will sell at Gray's Pavilion Saturday, December 15, 1917

the following—

1 span black mares, 5 and 9 years old, gentle, ride or work anywhere; 3 splendid milch cows, giving about four gallons now, will freshen early; 1 heifer seven months old; 2 brood sows, full blooded Poland-Chinas; 13 fall pigs; 2 sets of harness, wagon, buggy, cream separator, 2 incubators, Hoosier kitchen cabinet, heater, oil stove, etc. All bought new last summer. **TERMS**—Cash or bankable note.

R. P. HOSMER, Auct.
JOE JACKSON, Clerk. HERSCHEL CAST.

WATCH YOUR EYE-SIGHT

EYES EXAMINED FREE

Our expert graduate Optometrist will diagnose your eye troubles and tell you what you need. The service is free at

KUCHS BROTHERS
222 N. Main Street

Hosmer's Mid-Month Stock Sale

GRAY' PAVILION

Saturday, December 15th, 1917

Starting at 1:30 prompt.

HORSES, CATTLE, HOGS, SHEEP—All kinds and classes.

SPECIAL NO. 1—30 HEAD OF GOOD NATIVE BREEDING EWES, bred for March lambs. 45 Head of EXTRA GOOD WESTERN BREEDING EWES, bred for March lambs. Listed by Isaac Coler. What do you want to sell? List it now.

R. P. HOSMER, "The Auctioneer"

P. S.—Furniture sale of Mr. Murdock at Arnett Decorating Co. rooms, north of Christian church at 3 o'clock, following monthly sale.

No Raise In Price Of This Great Remedy

HILL'S CASCARA BROMIDE QUININE

The standard cold cure for 20 years—in tablet form—safe, sure, no opiates—cures cold in 24 hours—grip in 3 days. Money back if it fails. Get the genuine box with Red top and Mr. Hill's picture on it. Costs less, gives more, saves money. 24 Tablets for 25c.

At Any Drug Store

ADVERTISED LETTERS.

Following is a list of the letters remaining unclaimed in the Maryville Mo., postoffice for the week ending Wednesday, December 12, 1917.

Men.

Bollah, Luther
Dickie, Marvin
Fitzgerald, W. H.
Henry, LeRoy
Mathers, C. W.
McDermott, Geo.
Moehlman, Oren
White Loyd
Wardell, T. E.

Women.

Collins, Mrs. Fannie
Crowson, Miss Mary
Edinger, Miss Bulah
Gains, Mrs. Don
Hull, Mrs. W. J.
Lyons, Miss Myrtle
Manies, Mrs. Jessie

Persons calling for the above named letters will please say "advertised." Respectfully,

JAMES TODD, Postmaster.

Three Guilford Boys Enlist.

Roxie C. Wilson, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Wilson, Charles E. Noland, son of Squire Noland, and Charles Wilson, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Wilson, all of Guilford, enlisted in the United States army and left yesterday for Jefferson Barracks. Roxie Wilson was assistant cashier of the Citizens Bank of Guilford, and Chas. Noland was a clerk in the late E. E. White's store.

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Family Washing

Rough Dry 6c per pound

Sheets, Pillow Slips, Towels, Spreads Table Linens Ironed. Wearing apparel washed, starch pieces starched and dried. No bundles for less than 60c.

Maryville Laundry

PHONE 700

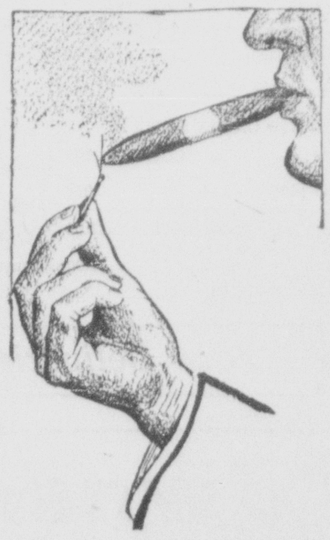
Give Basford's Cigars *for Christmas*

MARTELLUS—
In boxes of 25 specially wrapped for Christmas Gift.

BASFORD'S HAND-MADE—
In tin box of 25 . . . . . $1.50

BASFORD'S PANTELAS—
Per box of 50 . . . . . $2.25

LITTLE MARTELLUS—
50 Cigars in box $2.25



For Sale at All Dealers

War-Savings Stamps

What They Are and Why You Should Buy Them

Q. What is the War Savings plan?

A. It is a plan by which you can lend small savings to your government at 4 per cent interest, compounded quarterly.

Q. How may this be done?

A. By purchasing War Savings Stamps and Thrift Stamps.

Q. What is a War Savings Stamp.

A. It is a stamp for which the government will pay you $5 on January 1, 1923.

Q. What does it cost?

A. Between $4.12 and $4.23 during 1918, depending upon the month in which it is purchased..

Q. What is a Thrift Stamp?

A. It is a stamp costing 25 cents, to be applied in payment for a War Savings Stamp. It does not earn interest. The purpose of its issue is to enable people to accumulate in small sums the amount necessary for a War Savings Stamp.

Q. Where can I buy them?

A. At postoffices, banks and authorized agencies.

Q. Why should I buy them?

A. Every dollar loaned to the government helps to save the lives of our men at the front and to win the war.

Some Information.

"Sedentary work," said the lecturer on physical torture, "tends to lessen the endurance."

"In other words," butted in the smart aleck, "the more one sits the less one can stand."

"Exactly," retorted the lecturer, "and if one lies a great deal one's standing is lost completely."—Judge.

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Townsend's

Fourth and Main

Groceries and Provisions

Are You Paying Too Much?

The easiest and quickest way to find out for sure is to read and keep in touch with our ads. They give exact and reliable information as to what the cost of supplying your table should be. Every price can be depended upon—likewise the Quality.

We Quote for Friday's Selling

See us first for Christmas groceries—we have the goods and the price.

Our low quotations on fancy Candies, Fruits, Nuts, Christmas Trees, Wreaths etc. will certainly appeal to you.

FLOUR—PLENTY FOR EVERYONE.

Quality was never better.

24lb sacks Hard Wheat Patent—Pennant Brand.....$1.30

24lb sack High Patent—Maney's Best.....$1.35

48lb sacks Pennant.....$2.60

48lb sacks Maney's Best.....$2.65

Golden Wedding Coffee (bulk), 2 lbs for.....55c

Choice cranberries, quart.....15c

3lb fresh hominy flake.....25c

CHRISTMAS NUTS AND CANDY NOW READY.

Largest and Best Supply We Ever Offered.

Pure Candies....15c per lb and up
New Nuts (no old stuff in our stock).....20c per lb and up.
We can supply large lots, either Candy or Nuts at Attractive Pirces.

Fresh new dates pkg....10c, 15c and 20c

Fine Calif .figs, 2 pkgs.....25c

Best select opsters, pint.....40c

Imported white grapes, extra good, per lb.....25c

Large bunches celery.....10c

4 pairs cotton mitts.....25c

No. 2 cans Calif. ripe olives.....20c

Grand River hickory nuts, pk.....80c

2 lbs for.....15c

Quart cans cider.....10c

Quart cans New Orleans baking molasses.....15c

No. 2 cans glucose.....20c

New crop Pinto Beans, 10 lbs.....$1.00

8 lbs Navy beans.....$1.00

Glendale fancy quality butterine, 2 lbs.....65c

Standard quality sugar corn, can....11c

Fancy pack Stat of Maine corn, can 17c

We are Headquarters for CHRISTMAS TREES

Bulk Holly, Holly Wreaths, Mistle toe, etc. Our prices as usual will be cheap.

Qt cans solid pack tomatoes.....14c

No. 2 size best tomatoes, can.....9c

Qt cans Golden Pumpkin.....10c

Rice pop corn, shelled and cleaned, 4 lbs for.....25c

Pure pork sausage, per lb.....25c

Dr. Price's True Flavoring Extracts—Vanilla or lemon, 35c bottles for....20c

Bulk cocoa, per lb.....22c

Libby's high grade mince meat, 2 lb 35c

Armour's Condensed mince meat, 2 packages for.....25c

Seeded raisins, pkg.....10c

Bulk currants, ½ lb.....15c

New Calif. naval oranges, doz 35c to 60c

Men's Kersey gloves, 2 pairs.....25c

15c per pkg for Pimento, Chili, Rarebit, Roquefort or Kraft Cheese.

Finest Imported sardines in pure olive oil.....25c

Norweigian smoked sardines in olive oil, can.....15c

No. 1 cans minced sea clams, makes delicious soup.....20c

No. 1 cans Japanese crab meat.....30c

Calif Mackerel, No. 1 cans.....15c

Pure peanut butter, per lb.....25c

Sugar cured hams.....28c

Sugar cured shoulders.....24c

Will cut hams or shoulders.

Country cured ham, per lb.....26c

Four Deliveries Daily

Townsend's

U. S. Food Liscense Number G 06758

REMUS

MERCANTILE COMPANY

Corner Third and Buchanan Sts.

SAVE MONEY

BY TAKING ADVANTAGE OF THESE LOW CASH PRICES

For Friday and Saturday

LADIES' COAT BARGAINS

These cold days of winter call for extra wraps and for those who find it advisable to save when the opportunity presents itself we offer some real bargains in carried over stock of women's coats. They have been placed in two assortments and in each assortment you will find the prices more than cut in half.

One Assortment at.....$2.98
One Assortment at.....$4.98

KNITTED SKATING SETS

We have a very attractive assortment of these popular skating sets so much in demand now. Not only are they ideal for the healthy outdoor sport for which they are especially designed, but they are just the thing for general winter wear.

Special for Friday and Saturday
98c to $2.98

OUTING FLANNEL NIGHTGOWNS

Nothing helps so much to make the sleeping comfortable these winter nights as the fleecy outing flannel nightgowns. We have an attractive assortment, worth regularly $1.25 a garment.

For these two days only.....98c

FLEECED KIMONOS

You'll like these convenient and comfortable kimonos. They come in attractive figured designs and are a real bargain at.....98c

SILK WAISTS

There's no better assortment to be found than that carried in this store and the low prices which Cash Selling makes possible are not the least of their attractiveness. You will find the fine sheer silk in beautiful shades and the beautiful stripes. Some are priced at $2.50, others $3.50 and up to $7.50

HAND BAGS

Indispensable in these days when so much of the marketing is being done by personal visits to the store are the hand bags and we have an attractive assortment specially priced for these two days at from.....$1.00 to $4.50

HANDKERCHIEFS AT 5c and UP

Your particular attention is called to the display of handkerchiefs, many of which are offered at this time at the extremely low price of 5c. It's a good chance to stock up. You will find the assortment sufficient to suit every possible taste and every purse.

OVERSHOES AND RUBBERS

We are particularly fortunate in having purchased a large stock of overshoes and rubbers, because it now is almost impossible to buy any more of these necessary articles. You will be pleased in the assortment we offer and you will be surprised at the extremely low prices we are asking.

FANCY CHINA CUPS AND SAUCERS

We call your attention to one pattern in fancy china cups and saucers which we know you will say is a great bargain. The set only.....$1.50

CONGOLEUM RUGS

Here's a floor covering that is meeting a public favor that is fully ustified. It is ideal for the kitchen and hallways, being attractive in design, waterproof, durable, sanitary and the rugs lie flat without fastening.

9x12 foot Congoleum rugs.....$8.75
Congoleum stove rugs, 1½x1½ yards each only.....$1.35
Congoleum stove rugs, 1x1½ yards each only.....95c

Friday and Saturday Will be Money Saving Days At This Store

LADIES' CLOAKS

One small lot of ladies' good warm cloaks worth up to $15.00, special price Friday and Saturday only.....$3.98

One small lot of ladies' fine broadcloth coats, worth up to $25.00, Friday and Saturday each only.....$10.00

Your choice of any other ladies' cloaks in our store at **20 per cent off.**

SUITS

We have only a few ladies' suits left which we will close out, your choice at exactly **half price.**

CHILDREN'S CLOAKS

Now is the time to buy the children a good warm cloak at a small price.

One lot of children's coats, worth up to $7.50, now only.....$3.98

One lot of children's coats, worth up to $10.00, now only.....$6.98

All other children's coats will be sold at a discount of **20 per cent off.**

FURS

Every woman who hasn't a set of furs wants one—why not give her one of our beautiful sets this year?

SWEATERS

Are always useful and acceptable. All selling now at **10 per cent off.**

WHITE IVORY

These beautiful white ivory toilet articles make very acceptable gifts. See our large collection to select from at money saving prices.

HANDKERCHIEFS

No one has quite enough handkerchiefs. If in doubt, give handkerchiefs. A gift that is useful and pleasing, from....**5c to $1.00** each.

A large assortment of all silk crepe de chine handkerchiefs, each at **24 cents.**

CAP AND SCARF SETS

We have a very large line of cap and scarf sets which we are now selling for less than we could buy them for.

Ladies' all wool angora set with a wide scarf, large cap, a wide selection of colors, special at, per set.....$1.19

Other sets priced up to.....$2.98

SKIRTS

Here is a big bargain in ladies' skirts. One big lot of skirts, including fancy stripe silk skirts, blue and black wool skirts, fancy stripe wool skirts, your choice of this entire lot Friday and Saturday only **$3.98.**

All other skirts will be sold at **20 per cent off.**

SILKS

Here are some real bargains in silks which you should not overlook—

$2.50 taffeta silk in black and colors, now only per yard.....$1.85

$1.75 taffeta silk in black and colors, now only per yard.....$1.49

$1.50 taffeta silk in black and colors, now only per yard.....$1.29

40 inch crepe de chine, all colors, now only per yard.....$1.39

40 inch $2.00 Georgette crepe, now per yard.....$1.79

36 inch fancy silk, regular $2.00, $2.25 and $2.50 quality in stripes, plaid and flowered designs, will be, per yard only.....$1.69

UNDERWEAR

Here are some real bargains in good wool underwear.

One small lot of children's Doufold union suits from 8 to 16 years.

We have only a small quantity of these famous garments and we cannot get delivery on any more this season. We will close these out at the very low price of per suit.....$1.25
These are worth twice this price.

Ladies' good cotton, jersey ribbed union suits, very special at per yard, only.....69c

Ladies' extra heavy, jersey ribbed union suits, very heavy fleece lined, in sizes from 34 to 44, per suit now only.....$1.25

Children's good warm union suits at **75c, 85c and 95c.**

BEAUTIFUL UNDERWEAR

Made of all silk crepe de chine in white and flesh, such as gowns, combinations, teddy bears, corset covers and camisoles—these would make very acceptable gifts.
Priced at.....$1.19 to $5.00

OUTING FLANNEL GOWNS

There is nothing more comfy than one of our famous Carlsbad sleeping garments these cold nights, priced now at **10 per cent off.**

Haines

The Only Spot Cash and One Price Dry Goods Store in Nodaway County

SAVE PORK COSTS

Butchering on the Farm Advised to Reduce Cost of Meat for Home Consumption

"Hog killing" on the farm, in spite of much encouragement given it in recent years is not yet a general practice. The custom of buying meat from local stores or hucksters is increasing among farmers in spite of the fact that meat, especially pork, can be grown and cured at home for much less than the cost of purchased meat. These statements are made by animal husbandry specialists of the United States Department of Agriculture in a new publication of the department, Farmers' Bulletin 913, Killing Hogs and Curing Pork, which is intended to aid in popularizing farm butchering.

The cheapest meat a farmer can use is the product of his own farm, say the specialists. This is also true of the suburban or town farmer, who fattens one or two hogs on kitchen and truck garden wastes. Many farmers, it is said, will have their own meat supply for the first time this year. The publication just issued takes the far mbutcher step by step through the processes of slaughtering, cutting up the carcass, lard making, curing, sausage making, smoking. It tells, also, how to make a small ice house which may be used not only for meat, but for other perishable products. Suggestions as to how farm butchering may be made a paying enterprise commercially are given, and it is declared that selling farm animals as meat is one of the best ways to market them.

Dr. J. W. Dean In Hospital.

Dr. J. W. Dean, who has been quite sick at his home in Glencoe, Okla., was brought to Maryville to the St. Francis hospital for treatment.

Mrs. Joe Battles of Denver, Colo., who has been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Miles Nicholas of near Maryville, will leave this evening for her home. Mr. Battles returnied last Saturday.

D. R. Eversole & Son

WE AGAIN emphasize the special offering we have advertised for this week. You should take advantage of these values as this merchandise will not be so cheap again for some time and if you desire to save money on your Christmas as well as on your winter purcheses, now is the time at Eversole's.

YOU NO DOUBT ARE NEEDING COMFORTS, BLANKETS, UNDERWEAR, and other winter merchandise to keep warm these cold days and why not come to headquarters for these things. We have a big stock of blankets at **$1.50 to $17.50** a pair. Also the best in underwear at reasonable prices.

BIG REDUCTIONS IN OUR READY TO WEAR DEPARTHENT.
We have selected 15 ladies' clotth coats from our regular stock to sell at ONE-THIRD OFF regular price. All other cloth coats now reduced TWENTY-FIVE PER CENT.

One lot ladies' black broadcloth and fur cloth coats, sizes 36 to 44, values up to $35.00—choice of this lot **$4.98.**

All children's coats reduced TWENTY-FIVE PER CENT.

Ladies' wool dresses reduced TWENTY-FIVE PER CENT. Also all silk dresses reduced TWENTY-FIVE PER CENT.

An assortment of light colored short sleeve bungalow aprons, worth 98c, for each **50c.**

FURS
Fur muffs and scarfs to match, a big assortment to choose from at exactly HALF OFF REGULAR PRICE. Furs make practical Christmas gifts.

SILK WAISTS
All waists worth $5.00 now...$3.85
All waists worth $6.00 now...$4.95
All waists worth $6.50 now...$5.45

KID GLOVES REDUCED
$3.00 values now.....$2.50
$2.50 values now.....$2.00
$2.25 values now.....$1.85
$2.00 values now.....$1.70

LEATHER PURSES AND MESH BAGS
$1.25 purses now.....85c
Mesh bags worth up to $3.50 for 48c

LADIES' SILK HOSE
$2.00 values for.....$1.75
Two pairs for.....$3.25
$1.75 values for.....$1.50
Two pairs for.....$2.85
$1.50 values for.....$1.25
Two pairs for.....$2.25
21c black silk hose.....10c
(seconds)
Men's 50c silk hose, two pairs..88c
Men's 30c lisle hose two pairs 49c

SILKS
40 inch fine quality crepe de chine, $2.00 grade for.....$1.75
40 inch fine quality Georgette, $2 grade for, a yard.....$1.65
A selection of 36 inch fancy silks, worth $2.00, $2.25 and $2.50 a yard for a yard.....$1.69

Men's double thumb mittens .....$1.25 a dozen
Towel sets, worth $1.25 for..... 85c
Our $3.50 values for..... $2.25

We will reduce for this week our $1.50, $1.25 and $1.00 a yard draper materials to 75c. Our stock of high price draperies must be reduced for inventory.

WHAT BILLY SUNDAY SAYS

In one o this meetings at Boston the noted evangelist said: "I believe that every disease can be cured by some weed if we can only discover it. There isn't an ailment that God has not somewhere an herb growing that will cure that ailment."

The choice medicinal herbs which will cure women's ailments were discovered more than forty years ago, and have been doing their beneficient work for half a century. Lydia E. Pinkham combined them in convenient form in her famous Vegetable Compound, which is to be found in the drug stores where every ailing woman may conveniently get it at small cost. It does the work.

Being Thrifty

These days is exercising a virtue that means much to the nation. And it is important to your that you make your money buy the greatest possible amount of wholesome food. This big cash store offers you the advantage of correct business principles—and that means saving money.

Read this grocery list—it contains items that means money saving.

GROCERY SPECIALS

for Friday and Saturday

Frontier sweet corn, doz. cans $1.45
Richelieu Little Kernel corn, doz. cans $1.60
Richelieu small sifted early June peas, doz cans...$1.95
Frontier early June peas—1 doz. cans.....$1.50
No. 2 size can Foot's tomatoes, doz. $1.15
No. 2 size can Frontier tomatoes, doz. $1.55
No. 3 size can Frontier tomatoes, doz. $1.95
No. 3 size can Frontier pumpkin, doz. $1.15
No. 3 size can Frontier hominy, doz. $1.15
Tall can Borden's evaporated milk 13c
Quart bottle Red Wing grape juice 40c
48 lb sack B. M. Cream Flour for $2.95
Delgado's Chile Con Carne, can 10c
Rub-No-More washing powder pkg. 5c
Ohio potatoes, bushel....$1.50
2 quart can berries.....25c
8 lb Red globe onions.....25c
Extra large washed Brazil nuts, 2 lbs 35c
English walnuts, soft shell, lb 25c
4 lbs Rice pop corn.....25c
Grand River hickory nuts, lb 7½c
1 doz. dill pickles.....20c
1 doz. sour pickles.....10c
2 doz. sweet pickles.....25c
Search Light matches, box 5c
Fancy eating apples, basket 25c
Fancy evaporated peaches, lb 14c
Satisfaction Brand apricots, 2 cans 35c
Quart can Mazola cooking oil 60c
Half gallon can Mazola cooking oil $1.15
1 lb can New Moon cocoa 38c
Pail Velvet shortening, net 4 lbs 1 oz.....$1.18

Remus
Mercantile Company
Phones: Hanamo 6. Far. 1.
Corner Third and Buchanan
The Home of Zephyr Flour.

Society and Clubland

BY MISS LUTA MOODY
Hanamo 42. Farmers 114

Amoma Meeting.

The Amoma class of the Baptist church will hold their regular business meeting Friday night in the Men's Bible Class room. All members are requested to be present as new officers will be elected.

For Son's Birthday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Montgomery of Skidmore entertained with a 6 o'clock dinner and line party last night in honor of their son, Hiram, Jr., who was celebrating his tenth birthday anniversary. The guests included: Lawrence Linville, Adrain Hoblitzell, Vernon Barrett, Harold Monk and Leland Davison.

Miss Everhart Hostess.

The Needlework Club met yesterday afternoon at the home of Miss Minnie Everhart of Pickering. A short business meeting was held and it was decided that only two open sessions should be held this winter. The club divided into two sections and the first section will entertain during the holidays. During the social hour which followed refreshments were served by Miss Everhart ,assisted by Miss Blanche Hinton. Those present were: Mrs. Walter Johnson, Mrs. C. G. McMillen, Mrs. E. L. Crowson, Mrs. J. E. Herbert, Mrs. Marvin Hall, Mrs. Wood Forcade, Mrs. Wilbur Smith, Mrs. Roy Wolfers, Misses Mary Wolfers and Blanche Hinton and Mrs. Will Hinton.

Miss Stundon Entertains.

Miss Josie Stundon entertained at dinner yesterday the following: Miss Marie Davis and John Davis of Minot, N. Dak., Mrs. Mary Lund and son, Albert, of Shenandoah, Ia., Miss Mayme Bloom and Peter Bloom of Barnard, Miss Maggie Seckington and Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Moyer.

Dramatic Club Meeting.

The Dramatic Club of Conception held a business meeting Tuesday night at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Pfeifer. About thirty-five members were present. A pleasant social hour of games and musi cwas spent. Refreshments were served by the hostess.

Shakespeare Department Met.

The Shakespeare Department of the Twentieth Century Club met Tuesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Elmer Fraser. The closing act of Julius Caesar was presented in an interesting manner, with Miss Bertha Beal as leader. This department will not meet again until January 8, because of the Christmas holidays.

Garman Powers Married.

Miss Goldie Nelson and Garman C. Powers, both of Guilford, were married yesterday in St. Joseph. Mr. Powers has been employed by Delmar Strong at his barber shop on North Main street. He has been certified by the Kansas City draft board for service in the national army and will leave with the next contingent for Camp Funston.

County Farm Inmate Dies.

Jim Rhoades, 59 years old, and an inmate of the County farm since 1887, died last night. Short funeral services were held at ten o'clock this morning. Burial was the county farm cemetery.

Harve Swinford of Spokane, Wash., who has been visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Swinford, leaves tomorrow for Pickerring.

Will Spangler of Pickering is in Maryville today.

T. A. Corken and W. T. Walker of Burlington Junction were Maryville visitors yesterday.

Read Democrat-Forum Want Ads.

Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Symons of Gaynor City, and Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Shambargar and daughter, Fannie, of near Graham, were among the out of town people in Maryville yesterday.

A Christmas Gift That Could Not Be Bought.

"One of my most valued gifts this past Christmas was one that money alone could not have bought," said Dolly Wayne in the Philadelphia Ledger. "It was a pot of wild flowers and mosses which had been transplanted from the woods in the early fall and lovingly watched and tended until Christmas time. When the gift came to me the pot and saucer had been prettily decorated, and on the hepatica plants there were numerous buds, which blossomed, some on Christmas day and others later in the week. The gift still affords me daily delight. I have enjoyed those sweet purple and white hepatica blossoms far more than I should have any florist's roses, for I know that the plants were gathered and kept for me by one who understood how dearly I love the woods and the treasures found there."

Read Democrat-Forum Want Ads.

PNEUMONIA
First call a physician. Then begin hot applications of—
Keep a Little Body-Guard in Your Home
VICK'S VAPORUB

FOR SALE—Good list of prime real estate mortgage loans for disposal, ,in amounts to suit investors. See us for terms. Over Nodaway Valley Bank. The Sisson Loan & Title Co. 21tf

Alderman-Yehle Dry Goods Co.

WEST THIRD STREET, MARYVILLE, MO.

The Store of the Christmas Spirit

Christmas Gifts

That Would be Appreciated

DISPLAYS of Christmas things are now complete so that selections may be made as well now as later and the difference in service and assortments is worthy of your consideration. If you haven't started your Christmas buying yet, begin now; here's your advantage—large assortments—new ideas, quick service and best quality.

Silk Crepe Underwear

If you wish to give something that will be appreciated, select her some of our beautiful crepe silk undergarments.

We have an exceptional collection of flesh and white envelope combination suits and camisoles. They are real beauties and very moderately priced. West aisle.

NECKWEAR

Most any person would be pleased with some of our new neckwear. We are now displaying many of the latest collar creations. The military collars, the khaki colored collar and cuff sets, the lace jabot and collar combination, the embroidered flannel collars and the organdy and crepe collars with fine lace trimming are among the Christmas assortment.

Men's Cravat Ties—Assorted colors fancy stripes and figured effects, at.....35c, 50c and $1.00

LACE BOUDOIR CAPS

Be sure to see our Christmas assortment of lace boudoir caps with ribbon trimmings at 75c and $1.00
West Aisle.

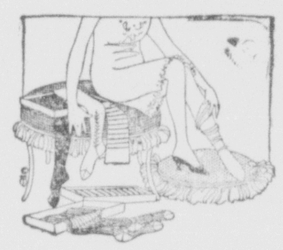
OF COURSE—GLOVES

That goes without saying — for what is a Christmas without golves for everybody, tucked into Christmas stockings or hung from the highest branch of the Christmas tree?

We now have a very complete assortment of Virginia Kid Gloves, Kid and Knitted Mittens, Knitted Gloves and Silk Gloves.

Cape Gloves.....$2.00 and $2.25
Virginia Kid Gloves.....$2.75
Knit Gloves and Mittens 25c to $1.25
Kid Mittens.....$1.00 to $1.65
Silk Gloves.....50c to $1.25
Children's Knit Gloves and Mittens at.....19c to 50c
Children's Kid Mittens, lined at.....50c and 75c
Center Aisle

SEE CHRISTMAS DISPLAY OF PRACTICAL GIFT THINGS IN MILLINERY DEPARTMENT.

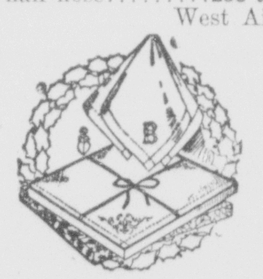


HOSIERY OF MERIT

Hosiery makes very acceptable gifts for man, woman or child and are useful and practical. Most everyone has hosiery on their shopping list.

We carry complete stocks of Wayne Knit, Kayser, Gordon and Topsy hose and can give you any quality or weight desired either in cotton, lisle or silk—black, white, colored and fancy.

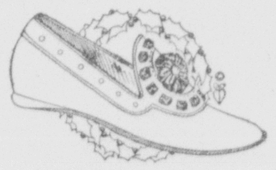
Ladies' hose from.....19c to $2.00
Children's hose.....19c to 75c
Men's half hose.....25c to 59c
West Aisle



HANDKERCHIEFS

Are liked for gifts and our present stock offers a wonderful variety to choose from. Many of the newest novelties show touches of color; then the initial handkerchief is very popular this season and we have a complete stock of these. Embroidered handkerchiefs are very prominent in the Christmas showing. All the newest effects are here, priced at 5c, 10c, 15c, 25c, 35c, 50c, 75c and $1.00.

Be sure to see our 25c and 35c lots —Center Aisle.



HOUSE SLIPPERS

Who would not appreciate a pair of our warm house slippers? We have them in kid boudoir, felt, with wool padded soles, and fur trimmed with leather soles and heels.

Ladies' Comfort Slippers at $1.00, $1.25, $1.50 and $1.75.
Children's Comfort Slippers at $1.00 to $1.50.
Men's Felt Slippers, felt sole at $1.
West Aisle

Remember—the big Fur Sale Closes Saturday Night.

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In the Country

For the farmer or suburbanite—and his wife—write down a subscription for THE COUNTRY GENTLEMAN—a weekly reminder of you.

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For A Dollar

Send us one dollar, and on Christmas Day your friend will receive a card of notification in your name.

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ALAS, THE POOR OFFICE MAN

In All Discussions of Wage Increase the Clerk and the Salesman Are Generally Left Out

From the Saturday Evening Post)

"It's fine for us!" a correspondent writes on the letterhead of a large corporation. "We read in the newspapers every day or two that switchmen or miners or men in shipyards have demanded 20 or 30 per cent more pay to cover the increased cost of living, and the president is sending some bigwigs out to fix it up. Usually the men get what they demand. Maybe you know that when the price of bread and milk goes up for a steamfitter it goes up just as much for an office man; but nobody else seems to know it. The $70 a month we got before the war is $75 now, which is about 7 per cent increase. Nobody has any time to bother with us except to tell us to economize and buy Liberty bonds."

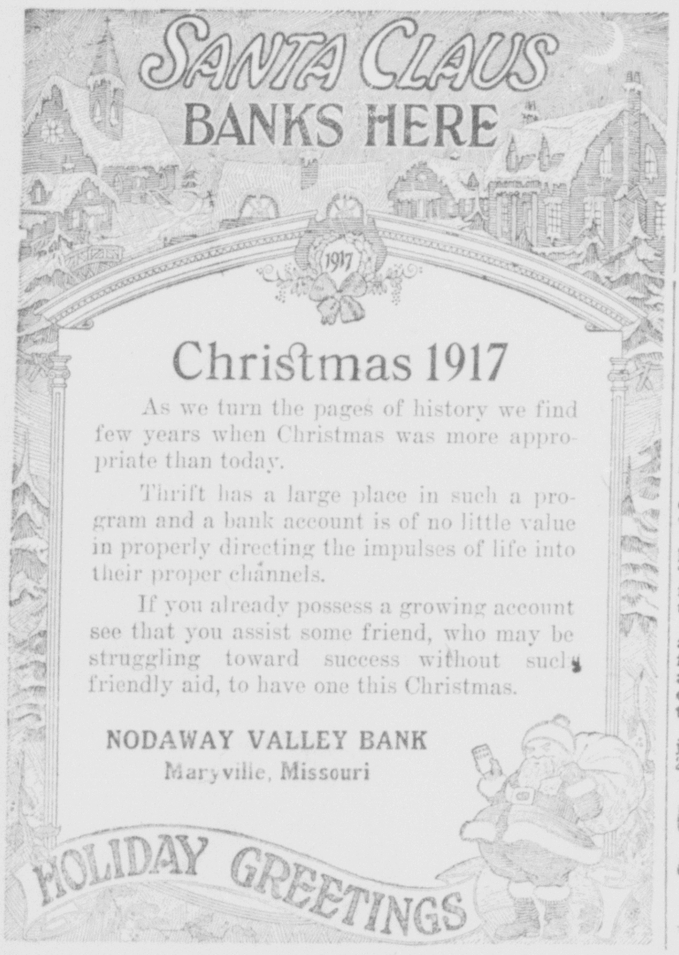
About the lonesomest and least considered person in the world today is the clerk—using that term in the loose sense, which includes office men and sales people. No one is afraid he is going to strike and tie up an industry—everybody knowing very well that he cannot. His money is worth about a third less than it was before the war, and in the general run of cases he—or she—has not a third more money.

Among those whom the census classes as salaried employes there are a great many who have emerged from the general run and achieved such a relationship to the business that they are counted as individuals, instead of merely as undistinguished items in the clerical and selling force. They can keep up with the cost of living and beat it, because the people up in front, who fix salaries, are personally interested in these individuals. But as for the general run—more than a million in manufacturing and transportation alone — their needs are considered last.

Organized wage earners can command consideration. Some unorganized workers at the margin, who are always slipping off into indigence, get constant attention from the charitable. The clerk who can manage to support his family is mostly let alone.

MAKES "REAL COFFEE" FROM "VELVET BEANS"

Quitman, Gea., Dec. 13.—The velvet bean, so abundantly grown in the South, is being put to an entirely new use in this section and is no longer classed as a stock food exclusively. An hotel started the movement by the announcement to a large number of traveling salesmen that the coffee served was made from velvet beans, after the dinner had been finished, and the guests were profusely complimenting the proprietor for the splendid "Java." One of the guests, claiming to be an expert connoisseur, had taken the third cup.


SANTA CLAUS
BANKS HERE
1917
Christmas 1917
As we turn the pages of history we find few years when Christmas was more appropriate than today.
Thrift has a large place in such a program and a bank account is of no little value in properly directing the impulses of life into their proper channels.
If you already possess a growing account see that you assist some friend, who may be struggling toward success without such friendly aid, to have one this Christmas.
NODAWAY VALLEY BANK
Maryville, Missouri
HOLIDAY GREETINGS

QUICK RELIEF FROM CONSTIPATION

Get Dr. Edwards' Olive Tablets

That is the joyful cry of thousands since Dr. Edwards produced Olive Tablets, the substitute for calomel.

Dr. Edwards, a practicing physician for 17 years and calomel's old-time enemy, discovered the formula for Olive Tablets while treating patients for chronic constipation and torpid livers.

Dr. Edwards' Olive Tablets do not contain calomel, but a healing, soothing vegetable laxative.

No griping is the "keynote" of these little sugar-coated, olive-colored tablets. They cause the bowels and liver to act normally. They never force them to unnatural action.

If you have a "dark brown mouth" now and then—a bad breath—a dull, tired feeling—sick headache—torpid liver and are constipated, you'll find quick, sure and only pleasant results from one or two little Dr. Edwards' Olive Tablets at bedtime.

Thousands take one or two every night just to keep right. Try them. 10c and 25c per box. All druggists.

CHICHESTER S PILLS
THE DIAMOND BRAND.
Ladies! Ask your Druggist for Chi-ches-ter's Diamond Brand Pills in Red and Gold metallic boxes, sealed with Blue Ribbon. Take no other. Buy of your Druggist. Ask for CHI-CHES-TER'S DIAMOND BRAND PILLS, for 25 years known as Best, Safest, Always Reliable
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U. S. NAVY OPENS WAY TO CAREER IN MERCHANT MARINE

TREMENDOUS REVIVAL IN SHIPPING AFTER WAR MEANS FORTUNE FOR CAPABLE, TRAINED YOUNG MEN.

Indications Point to an Era of Opportunity Like That of Golden Clipper-Ship Days—Chance for Ambitious Youths.

Nobody any longer believes the present war will be a short one, and it therefore behooves young men who may be called upon to give their time to their country for the next few years to consider the peculiar advantages the navy offers them as a career, either in the private or public carrying trade that is coming.

Regardless of when or where the war ends, the navy must continue to be manned. It will be a bigger and better navy at the end of hostilities than it was at the beginning, but if the safety of every principle for which we are fighting must be guaranteed it will have to grow still bigger in the ensuing years. America has at last taken her proper place as a great world power and her ability to hold that place will depend almost entirely upon the navy.

But even if one does not expect to be a naval man all his life he will find his wartime experience a direct stepping-stone to a commercial career in which energetic and capable men will be in tremendous demand. For a vast field of opportunity is opening in the new mercantile marine.

The youth of the present generation has forgotten the time when the American flag was actually known in every port of the world. That was in the days of the old clipper-built sailing ships which were so superior in speed and carrying power to the vessels of any other country that our commercial fleet was fairly entitled to be called Mistress of the Seas.

When Commerce Declined.

The Civil War and the fact that we weren't ready to compete with Europe in the building of iron and steel vessels caused us to lose that supremacy. Our own internal development was so rapid and the demands of the great railroad building era for men were so great that we didn't care much if we did lose it. So it came about that up to three years ago we ranked below even small countries in the blue-water carrying trade.

Now a revolutionary situation confronts us. Our internal development has been so great that it is bound to slow up. We shall never again know such a building boom as that of the last half century. Europe will know one, for half of Europe will have to be rebuilt. But, at the same time, Europe will have lost its domination of the carrying trade because of the tremendous wartime destruction of shipping and the extraordinary demand for labor of all kinds that will be necessary to a reorganization of all European industries.

It is therefore the logical time for America to seize its unprecedented opportunity. Already every hulk that can be got to sea is being snapped up. Every private yard that can build a freight-carrying ship is working to full capacity, new yards are springing up everywhere, whole forests and mines are being drained for material. The next few years will see thousands upon thousands of new American ships put into commission as rapidly as they can be manned.

Chance for Navy Men.

By whom will they be manned? Sailors and navigators and captains and mates cannot be made in a day, and for more than 50 years America has not been training them in anything like adequate force.

But it must be remembered that the United States navy has the reputation of producing seamen who are without superiors in all the world. To what other source than the navy will private shipowners look for the men they will so urgently need?

The road to success will be ready-made in this new business for bright, capable young men from the navy. Almost any one of them who is industrious, capable and ambitious can expect to become an officer in the mercantile marine. Furthermore, it was to the fact that our ship officers were expected to be business men and were permitted to become part owners of their own vessels that the old clipper-ship trade was able to grab the world's business. Those conditions will come again in the near future.

The future is therefore secure to any man who will cast in his lot with the navy now in its time of greatest need. If he wishes to remain in the service he will have an honorable and remunerative career open to him, with the certainty that he will be taken care of in his old age, whatever misfortunes may occur. If he wishes to get into the commercial service his chances to rise in the world will be unsurpassed.

Think it over, young man.

YOUR Navy has never lost a war. Don't forget that. It gives your boys a chance to help win this one.

THE U. S. NAVY NEEDS YOU

Missouri Must Have 1,200 Naval Recruts Before Dec. 15.

The navy needs men, and needs them quickly.

Secretary Daniels has called upon the state of Missouri to enlist 1,200 men before Dec. 15.

Throughout the state efforts are being made to fill this new quota, that the state may show that it supports the navy as well as it did the army.

Under new regulations just issued by the Provost Marshal-General of the army, in charge of the army draft, any man, even though he may be registered and called for examination for service in the army, may enlist in the navy before Dec. 15, provided, of course, that he is physically fit.

The men of Missouri have always stood ready when their country called. Today, pledged to do its part in the greatest war the world has ever seen, the country calls on its sons to come to its assistance. Never in the history of the country has there been attempted a task of half the magnitude as that of building up the new navy. And there is no time to spare. Shipbuilders on the coasts are working day and night to turn out ships. In the training camps men are rapidly being trained in thousands of duties that go to make up the strength of the navy. More are urgently needed. Missouri has been called upon to furnish 1,200 men before Dec. 15. Will YOU be one of them? The draft law does not apply to the navy. All enlistments must be voluntary.

Every postmaster in the state is a naval recruiting officer. All you have to do is to see the postmaster in your town, and he will give you all the advice necessary. Then your local doctor will look you over, and unless there is some serious physical defect you will be ordered to St. Louis. The postmaster will furnish you with your transportation, so that you will be at no expense. On arrival in St. Louis you will find a branch recruiting office directly opposite the Union Station, where you will report. From there you will be directed to the main recruiting station, at Seventh and Chestnut streets. There you will find the officers waiting for you. In case you are not physically qualified for enlistment your return fare to your home will be paid, so that you are not going to be out a cent. If you are accepted, as you probably will be, you will be sent at once to the Great Lakes Training Station, near Chicago, where you will go into actual training.

Within a short time you will be ordered into active service with the fleet. Your future will depend on yourself alone, as it does in any life you choose. There is plenty of chance for promotion, and there is no limit to the height a boy can reach if he tries. During the time you are in the service you will have absolutely no expenses. The government furnishes you with food and lodging, with clothes and with medical attendance if you are ill. You will receive from the day you are accepted and ordered to the training station a salary of $32.50 a month. If you have dependents or those at home whom you care to help, allotments of your pay can be arranged. The government will insure your life. You will get a technical training that will greatly increase your earning power if you want to leave the navy when the war is over and will greatly increase your future opportunities.

And, above all else, you will be doing your bit for your country and your flag.

A MESSAGE TO YOU.
YOUR country needs YOU.
YOUR country is calling YOU.
YOUR Navy needs men now.
YOUR country is in danger.
YOUR help is needed.
YOUR ships are on the roads of the seas protecting YOUR homes.
YOU are needed to man these ships and their great guns.
The Navy wants YOU now.
Ask your postmaster today.
He knows.

The steel wall that protects YOUR mother, YOUR wife, YOUR daughter, YOUR sister, from the unthinkable fate of the women and girls of Belgium is the United States Navy. The ships are ready. The men are needed. Will you volunteer to be one?
JOIN THE NAVY NOW.
Ask your postmaster. He knows.

BOY.
Your mother and your sister are in danger. The Navy that is protecting them wants you now.
Ask your postmaster. He knows.

YOUR NAVY
NEEDS YOU
NOW.
Ask your postmaster.
He knows.

MAZOLA

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THE pure, wholesome, and delicious qualities of Mazola appeal to the housewife from the standpoint of cooking *results*—in deep frying, sautéing, shortening and salad dressings.

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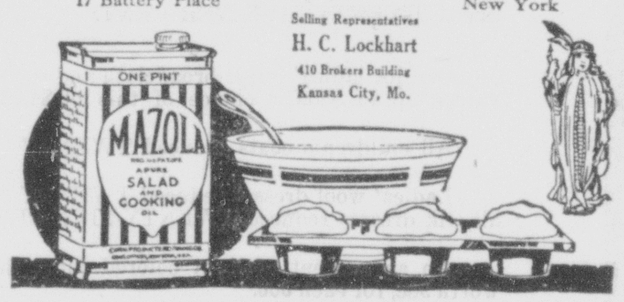

Pickering Circuit M. E. Church. Please remember our quarterly conference at Pickering, Saturday, December 15, at 2 o'clock p. m. Dr. Burris will preach at Pickering Saturday night at 7:30, and Sunday at 11 a. m. We hope that every official member will be present at the quarterly conference. The pastor will preach at Mozingo Valley next Sunday night instead of morning on account of the quarterly meeting at Pickering Sunday morning. Prayer meeting Wednesday at 7.30 p. m. Epworth League Sunday at 6:30 p. m. Sunday scholl at 10 a. m. You are cordially invited to worship with us.

C. S. DAYHOFF, Pastor.

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December 17-18-19

I will be there on the dates mentioned with a full supply of literature dealing with the states of Minnesota, North Dakota, Montana, Idaho, Washington and Oregon, also an exhibit of the products of the Northern Pacific country, which will be of much interest to prospective settlers.

If you cannot attend this exhibit, write for information and literature.

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A Gift That Is More Than a Gift

Thrift is the most important thing in the world these days—the most valuable asset for man, woman or child.

Unfortunately, you cannot bestow a gift of thrift, but you CAN bestow upon those dearest to you the means for its easy attainment—you CAN give a Real Estate Savings Account.

Deposit a good "starter" to encourage the recipient along the pleasant "Thrift Road" that leads to Peace, Prosperity and Independence.

What other gift than this means so much MORE than a gift? What other gift so aptly expresses both the spirit of Christmas giving and the spirit of thrifty saving? What other gift so patriotic, sensible, acceptable, and safe? And it is no trouble to get it—no bothersome shopping or aggravating waits.

Real Estate Bank

OFFICERS:
George B. Baker President. Edward E. Williams, Cashier.
Burt M. Rowley, Assistant Cashier.

THE TOY SHOP

If you want to see the real Spirit of Christmas, all in one place, this is the place to come.

We have made this the Real Santa Claus Store and have bought a larger and better line of Holiday Goods than ever before.

There's Dolls, Bibles, Sleds, Books, Games, Fancy China, Toilet Sets, Toys, Candies, Stationery, Pictures, Handkerchiefs, and hundreds of thing of the kind that make Christmas real to young and old.

D. E. Hotchkin
111 West 3rd St. Maryville, Mo.

FUN AT THE GRIDIRON CLUB

At Banquet Last Week of Famous Organization the New War Tax Provided Part of Amusement

The Gridiron Club of Washington is nothing if not original, and at the annual banquet and frolic last week the new war tax came in for satire. The special "committee" on taxes came forth to be questioned by its chairman.

"What does the term 'pre-war period' mean?"

"It means prior to the 1916 election."

"What is net income?"

"Entirely a matter of conscience."

"What are undivided profits?"

"What the stockholders never get."

"What is near beer?"

"Disillusionment."

"What is a foreign partnership?"

"The Kaiser, Bob La Follette and Jeremiah O'Leary."

"What is a domestic partnership?"

"Woodrow Wilson and 100,000,000 Americans."

"What is included under the head of talking machines?"

"Phonographs and United States senators."

"Why did congressmen exempt themselves from the war tax?"

"Because the hide of a hippopotamus is seven-eighths of an inch thick."

"What are real excess profits?"

"The $7,500 a year which a congressman receives."

"What is information at the scurce?"

"Secretary Daniels' description of a submarine battle."

LITTLE BUNNY DOES HIS BIT

Cottontails Are Helping to Win the War by Helping Out on the "Meatless" Days

You can get rabbit meat at the restaurants and cafes almost any day now, for bunny is doing his "bit" to "help win the war." And the tribe of bunny has increased the last few years until now they are almost as numerous as the sands of the sea.

With the hunting season on in full force, and the weather conditions ideal for the sport, many hunters have turned for a time from searching for the haunts of Bob White and invaded the runs of the cottontail, and scores of the hares were brought in and graced the dinner tables of private homes and public eating houses. On "meatless" days, Sir Bunny steps in and relieves the leanness of the table. He is served in many ways: Broiled, fried, roasted, smothered in onions—every cook has his own "best way" to prepare him for the dinner table. Then it is great sport, and provides the small boys with the means of getting some extra Christmas money, for there is a demand for rabbit, and where a few years back you could buy a wagon load of his rabbitship for a dollar, today the butcher shops ask 20 cents for a nice, fat, well cleaned bunny. They sell readily fo r15 cents undressed.

"Unconquered"

Little Billy Jacobs, the clever child actor, who will be seen at the Empire theatre tonight in support of Fannie Ward in the Lasky-Paramount production of "Unconquered," has one scene in which he is supposed to catch a fish. Such a stickler for realism and accuracy is Billy, in spite of his five years, that he insisted upon waiting at the stream with his hook in the water until he really caught a fish. The matter was being argued between the young fisherman and the director, when all of a sudden Billy felt a pull at his line and the discussion was ended by Billy's pulling out the required fish.

To Stop a Persistent, Hacking Cough

The best remedy is one you can easily make at home. Cheap, but very effective.

Thousands of people normally healthy in every other respect, are annoyed with a persistent hanging-on bronchial cough year after year, disturbing their sleep and making life disagreeable. It's so needless—there's an old home-made remedy that will end such a cough easily and quickly.

Get from any druggist "2½ ounces of Pinex" (60 cents worth), pour it into a pint bottle and fill the bottle with plain granulated sugar syrup. Begin taking it at once. Gradually but surely you will notice the phlegm thin out and then disappear altogether, thus ending a cough that you never thought would end. It also promptly loosens a dry or tight cough, stops the troublesome throat tickle, soothes the irritated membranes that line the throat and bronchial tubes, and relief comes almost immediately. A day's use will usually break up an ordinary throat or chest cold, and for bronchitis, croup, whooping cough and bronchial asthma there is nothing better. It tastes pleasant and keeps perfectly.

Pinex is a most valuable concentrated compound of genuine Norway pine extract, and is used by millions of people every year for throat and chest colds with splendid results.

To avoid disappointment, ask your druggist for "2½ ounces of Pinex" with full directions and don't accept anything else. A guarantee of absolute satisfaction or money promptly refunded goes with this preparation. The Pinex Co., Ft. Wayne, Ind.

SAY STOP
LOOK LISTEN at BECKER'S BARGAINS

On and After December 10 Our Prices as Follows

Men's suits, cleaned and pressed.....$1.00
Ladies' suits, cleaned and pressed (plain).....$1.00
Men's suits sponged and pressed.....50c
Ladies' suits, sponged and pressed (plain).....50c

Repairing done by experienced tailors only.

We are no farther away from you than your telephone—402. Ladies' Tailoring in Connection.

BECKER CLEANING COMPANY
A trial will speak for itself.

NOT FOUND WANTING.

The American people have not refused anything that is needed for the war.

The government asked them for 1,500,000 men, and the men are in camps or on the fighting line.

It asked for ships, an d$2,000,000,000 worth of ships are under construction.

It asked for money, and money has been forthcoming with absolutely no stint.

And now it is asking for food, and out of their wealth the American people will giv efood as generously and effectively as they have given everything else needed in connection with vigorous prosecution of the war.

Food makes the most direct war contribution apart from men — one that touches every home every day.

Next to men it calls for the greatest changes in normal life and personal habits.

The American people have changed their money habits and are buying bonds; they have changed their way of thinking about ships and are building a mercantile marine; they have changed their views of peace, and are giving theif men for the establishment of a real world peace.

And they are changing their habits in food. They eat corn instead of wheat, poultry instead of beef and pork, and are saving sugar and fats.

It has taken a little longer to organize this war contribution of food, chiefly because the matter was more complicated than other war contributions, and had to be brought home to more people.

But it has been brought home, and the food has begun to move toward Europe.

In this great war work the American people are not going to be found wanting.

Read Democrat-Forum Want Ads.

GO NO FARTHER.

The Evidence Is At Your Door.

Maryville proof is what you want and the statement of this highly respected resident will banish all doubt:

J. N. Bryan, retired farmer, 222 Eleventh street, Maryville, says: "At one time I was having trouble from my back and kidneys. I had an intense soreness just through the small of my back and my back pained when I tried to bend over or straighten up quickly. My kidneys acted too frequently and this made me weak. I saw Doan's Kidney Pills advertised and bought some from Love & Woodworth's Drug Store. From the first, I had relief and as I continued using them, I was benefitted in every way. It has been quite a while now since I have needed Doan's Kidney Pills, so I know the benefit is lasting."

Price 60c at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kndney remedy — bet Doan's Kidney Pills — the same the Mr. Bryan had. Foster-Milburn Co., Mfgrs., Buffalo, N. Y.

Visiting Home Folks.

Francis M. Popham of Camp Funston, Kan., is spending a several days' furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Popham, of near Skidmore, and his sister, Mrs. R. R. Brown, of Maryville.

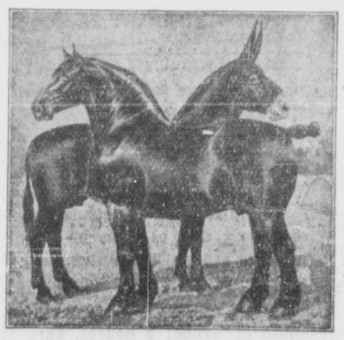
Victrolas

WILL THERE BE A VICTROLA IN YOUR HOME ON

Christmas Morning?

It is not necessary to spend a lot of money to own a genuine VICTOR VICTROLA. Victrolas as low as $20.00 with genuine Victor reproducer, tone arm and wooden sound chamber. We have machines in stock from $20 to $250 and every machine will bring joy and happiness to one family the year round. If your friend has a Victrola, buy him a record for Christmas. If you are interested in a player piano, let us show you our GUL-BRANSEN made player. We will take your upright piano in exchange.

Landon Music Co.
North Main St.—Maryville, Mo.



Wanted

100 English Gunners, weight 1400 to 1800.
100 U. S. Gunners, weight 1200 to 1400.
100 fat Southerns, the good kind.
100 Mules, 4 to 10 years old.
All war horses must be 5 to 10 years old.

SHOW THEM TO ME—I HAVE NO AGENTS.

Bring them in or phone me.

Hanamo 31
Farmers 161

Jim Andy Ford

You Can Have All the Money You'll Want *for*

Christmas

If you will take advantage of these easy savings plans we offer you here. Which one suits you best?

IN THIS CLASS YOU PAY—	IN THIS CLASS YOU PAY—	IN THIS CLASS YOU PAY—	IN THIS CLASS YOU PAY—
1st week ..... 2c 2nd week ..... 4c 3d week ..... 6c 4th week ..... 8c and so on for 50 weeks, at the end of which time you will receive—	1st week ..... $1.00 2nd week ..... 98c 3rd week ..... 96c 4th week ..... 94c and so on for 50 weeks, at the end of which time you will receive—	1st week ..... 5c 2nd week ..... 10c 3rd week ..... 15c 4th week ..... 20c and so on for 50 weeks, at the end of which time you will receive—	1st week ..... $2.50 2nd week ..... 2.45 3rd week ..... 2.40 4th week ..... 2.35 and so on for 50 weeks, at the end of which time you will receive—
$25.50	$25.50	$63.75	$63.75

IN THIS CLASS YOU PAY—	IN THIS CLASS YOU PAY—	YOU CAN MAKE STRAIGHT PAYMENTS EACH WEEK FOR FIFTY WEEKS OF
1st week ..... 10c 2nd week ..... 20c 3rd week ..... 30c 4th week ..... 40c and so on for 50 weeks, at the end of which time you will receive—	1st week ..... $5.00 2nd week ..... 4.90 3rd week ..... 4.80 4th week ..... 4.70 and so on for 50 weeks, at the end of which time you will receive—	25c AND RECEIVE— $12.50 50c AND RECEIVE— $25.00 $1.00 AND RECEIVE— $50.00
$127.50	$127.50	

Join The
Farmers Trust Company's
Christmas Savings Club

WHICH BEGINS MONDAY, DEC. 17, 1917—ENROLL NOW —ASK US FOR FULL PARTICULARS.

NORMAL NOTES
William Van Cleve.

Two hundred and sixty-one students had enrolled the first week for the winter quarter, a record which compares favorably with any previous enrollment for the winter term. This would indicate that the total enrollment will reach at least three hundred.

A number of courses are being offered this quarter for the first time. In the current history, under Mr. Foster's instruction, the class will review the Alliances, general background, the causes of the war and the history of the war up to the present time. Through the magazines and newspapers a careful study will be made of the current news. The members of the class have subscribed for the New York Daily Times, the London Weekly Times and the Review of Reviews.. A reading table has been placed in the room where articles of interest may be found.

Henry A. Miller, 1916, has enlisted and is now stationed at the U. S. Training Station, Great Lakes, Ill. He writes that new men are coming into the camp at therate of 100 to 1,000 a day.

The Demonstration School is to have its own service flag. Five of its former students are in service and one, Frank McDougal, has been in France and is reported among the missing. The Demonstration School is the first school in Missouri to give up one of its boys. The boys represented on the service flag are: Byron Price, Robert Stoks, Carl Miller, and Frank McDougal.

Miss Anthony has been elected chairman of the household arts and science department of the State Teachers' association. A schairman of this department she will plan the work for the year and will arrange the program for the meeting next year at St. Louis.

Thirty volumes of the newly bound 1917 magazines are being catalogued and will soon be ready for use.

A new phase of commercial art has been introduced into the fine arts department of this school.. The advanced classes have been painting designs in color on celluloid and glass. This work will continue to form a part of the art courses for advanced students.

One hundred twenty-four is now the total number of garments shipped by the Y. W. C. A. to the French war sufferers. This includes the previous shipment of eighty-one garments and those donated. On account of the many interruptions of school the work has been cut down. Great efforts are being made to finish fiftey garments before the Christmas holidays.

The girls in the foods class have been making a series of patriotic posters, as they believe that one teaches through the eye as well as through the ear. These posters are on exhibit in the corridor between the auditorium and the staff room.

Miss Amelia Madera is the new president of the Eurekan Literary Society. She will be assisted in her administrative duties by the following: Miss Elizabeth Brown, vice-president; Miss Ruth Foster, secretary; Miss Mary Crowson, treasurer; Mr. Clifford Clark, sergeant-at-arms.

DR. W. W. TURNER
OSTEOPATH
Treatment of bowel, liver and nervous diseases a specialty.
Office over Alderman-Yehle Store
Both Phones.

THE CHRISTMAS STORE

We have made this the real Santa Claus Store, and have bought a larger and better line of holiday goods than ever before.

D. E. HOTCHKIN
111 West Third Street

Eyes Tested Free
Glasses Fitted
We Guarantee Satisfaction.
H. L. Raines
West Third Street

SOLDIERS NEED SWEATERS

Nothing We Can Give Our Fighting Men Is More Appreciated Than Knitted Goods

Here is something to remember in connection with the great work being done by the Red Cross. No other chapter in the state is doing greater work in all departments than the Nodaway county chapter. The Red Cross cannot overemphasize the importance of knitting for our soldiers and sailors. Nothing we can do for them is more acceptable at this time than to supply them with knitted garments. The appreciation already expressed by the men in theservice and the good use they have made of the knitted articles, even in advance of freezing temperatures, warrant this work continuing with undiminished zest and energy.

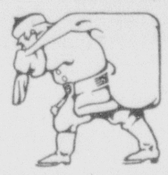
The climate in northern France is peculiarly damp an dcold at this season. Our soldiers soon will be experiencing the rigors of winter. It is of the greatest importance that warm knitted garments be provided them. In fact, the need is becoming increasingly urgent. Not only our fighting men, but homeless and helpless men, women and children abroad must be supplied with these garments.

The Red Cross has provided hundreds of thousands of sweaters and other knitted articles to our soldiers and sailors. Because the output of its volunteer workers could not meet the demand, the Red Cross purchased 500,000 sweaters for distribution among the men aboard American battleships and in cantonments and in army camps. The knitted garments and all other articles the Red Cross provides are supplied without a penny of cost to those who receive them. This applies to all articles purchased in the market by the Red Cross as well as those made by the Red Cross workrooms. In view of the present demand it is advisable that chapters do everything possible to stimulate interest in knitting.

Read Democrat-Forum Want Ads.

OLD PAPERS FOR SALE—5c per bundle. Call at this office.

Letters to Santa Claus



Dear Santa Claus:—Please bring me a doll, a dress, a bank and a broom.

AGATHA ANDERSON.

Age 6 years.

Maryville, Mo.

Dear Santa Claus:—Please bring me two or three story books, a big doll and a sled and a box of child's stationery, and that is all I want.

AUGUSTA EDWARDS.

Burlington Junction, Mo:.

Dear Santa Claus:—Please bring me a flashlight, a French harp and a horn and some candy and nuts. I go to school and I am 6 years old.

GEORGE HAROLD SEXSON.

R. F. D. No. 2.

Arkoe, Mo.

Dear Old Santa Claus: — Please bring me a sled and a book on the Christmas tree, and then a doll at home. Please, old Santa, fill my stocking full of candy, and don't forget to get the presents I leave for you on the chair.

RAY SMITH.

Age 6 years.

Maryville, Mo.

Dear Santa Claus: — I wish you would please bring me a sled and a gun, too, and some candy and nuts. Don't forget my brothers and sister.

Your little friend,

ENVERY BREWER.

Age 7. Second grade.

Dear Santa Claus: — Please bring me a doll, a dresser, bed, bank and a broom, and don't forget the candy.

THELMA ANDERSON.

Age 7 years.

Fresh Cut Roses—

Carnations, Lilies, Poinsettias, Sweet Peas Stevia, etc.

"SEND FLOWERS," "Send Engelmann's Fresh Cut Flowers

The Engelmann Greenhouses

Phones 17. 1001 So. Main St.

MARKET REPORTS

MARKETS BY TELEGRAPH

Special to The Democrat-Forum.

Kansas City Live Stock

Kansas City, Dec. 13.—CATTLE—Receipts, 8,000; steersr, $10 @ $14.50.

HOGS—Receipts, 9,000; top, $17.25; bulk, $17.20.

Kansas City, Dec. 13.—CORN—December, $1.27; May, $1.20.

Chicago Live Stock

Chicago, Dec. 13.—CATTLE — Receipts, 24,000; market, 10 lower.

HOGS — Receipts, 45,000; market, 15 to 25 lower; top, $17.45.

St Joseph Live Stock

St. Joseph, Dec. 13.—CATTLE — Receipts, 2,000; market, weak.

HOGS — Receipts, 10,000; market, 15 to 25 lower; top, $17.25.

His Gift to Santa Claus

EDWARD was seven years old and believed, of course, in Santa Claus. Just before Christmas he had proudly written a letter (his first), stating the particular gifts he wanted, and after his mother had read it it was carefully put into the fire.

"Now," said Edward's mother cheerfully, "that letter will go right up the chimney and direct to Santa Claus."

Edward seemed very much impressed.

Christmas morning the child was perfectly delighted with the shower of gifts and with the glittering tree.

"Wasn't it good of Santa Claus to bring me so many more things than I asked for in my letter?" he said at the breakfast table, clasping his hands in an ecstasy. After this outburst he grew thoughtful, then, suddenly jumping up, disappeared into the kitchen.

His mother and father looked at each other and wondered. Then the mother followed to see what the inspiration might be.

She found Edward standing in front of the kitchen stove pouring out a cup of coffee.

"Why, Edward, dear, what are you doing?" his mother asked, coffee being one of the child's "forbidden things."

Edward looked up appealingly. "It is such a cold morning, mother—"

"But, Edward, you know I never permit you to take coffee!" his mother interrupted.

"No, no, mother; I do not wish to drink it. I want to give it to Santa Claus. He was so kind to send me more engines and things than I asked for. May I give him some coffee and rolls, mother—may I?"

Before his mother had time to think of a suitable reply the child had put cream and sugar into the cup; then, with his little face all aglow with appreciation and gratitude, he earnestly poured the steaming coffee into the fire.

"There now!" he exclaimed, with satisfaction. "That will go right up the chimney and direct to Santa Claus won't it? And it will warm up his

* * * little round belly
That shook when he laugh'd like
A bowl full of jelly—

won't it mother?"—Lippincott's.

Holmes Jewelry Company

Gifts for Everybody

FATHER	MOTHER
Cuff buttons	Brooches
Leather Goods	Cameo Pins
Silver Match Boxes	Manicure Sets
Silver Grip Tags	White Ivory
Tie Clasps	Hat Pins
Scarf Pins	Lockets
Pocket Knives	Waist Sets
Key Chains	Odd Pieces of Silver
Collar Buttons	Tea Balls
Shirt Studs	Cut Glass
Fountain Pens	Signet Rings
Gold Fobs	Set Rings
Signet Rings	Diamond Rings
Cigar Cutters	Spectacles
Emblem Pins	Ear Screws
Lodge Charms	Umbrellas
Set Rings	Toilet Sets
Smoking Sets	Sheffield Silver
Humidors	Sterling Silver
Umbrellas	Bracelets
Diamond Stud	Silver Flatware
Set Studs	Stationery
Watch Charms	
Traveling Sets	
Stationery	

BABY	DAUGHTER		SOLDIER BOY	
Rings	Waist Sets	Silk Fobs	Military Watches	Leather Goods
Spoons	Thimbles	Gold Fobs	Pocket Pieces	Signet Rings
Knives	Manicure Articles	Lavallieres	Identification Lockets	Grip Tags
Silver Sets	Fountain Pens	Neck Chains	Razors	Cigar Cutters
Bib Holders	Brooches	Bracelets	Trench Pillows	Lockets
Pearl Necklaces	Cameos	Rings—all kinds	Fit-all-sets	Emblem Pins
Pin Sets	Souvenir Pins	Silverware	Drinking Cups	Cigaret Cases
Cups	Rosaries	Toilet Sets	Military Brushes	Pocket Combs
Child Sets	Lockets	Card Cases	Knife and Chain	Fountain Pens
Everything the baby could wish for.	Handy Pins	Purses		Stationery
	Hat Pins	Stationery		

DO YOUR CHRISTMAS SHOPPING EARLY

Holmes Jewelry Company

West Side Square

Christmas Gifts
That are Different

You will find here Christmas presents that are both useful and practical. Here are a few items that we are able to offer at prices that are unusually reasonable.

TALL MAHOGANY SMOKING SETS FOR MEN—
$1.35, $2.00, $2.75, $3.00

MAHOGANY SMOKING SETS—TRAYS—
90c, $1.15, $1.25.

MAHOGANY NUT SETS— CRACKER AND SIX PICKS—
$1.25 to $1.90

DINNERWARE—
We now have a complete stock of open ware from which to complete your set. This is in several styles in decorated china. In view of the fact that it is nearly impossible to get this ware, our prices are reasonable.

ETCHED GLASS WARE—
Sherbets—low and tall, Goblets, Handled Lemonades, Grape Juice Tumblers.

WATER SETS—
We have these in a variety of styles.

BIG TOY SPECIAL—
A lot of Japanese mechanical toys, the kind the kids like—
Choice of any one—25 cents

CANDY CANDY CANDY

We have a large shipment of Christmas Candy and will be able to supply the demand. It will be on display Saturday. Better leave your order at once.

Schumacher's

How Animals Figure In Christmas Customs

THE Christmas customs in Norway and Swden are the most interesting of any country. It is time of great rejoicing. To show that there are friendly feelings between every one in the household the shoes are placed in a row in the hall when retiring on Christmas eve, and, like the German custom, candles are left burning in the village windows all night to light the way for "Kristine," who brings the gifts. The Christmas tree is largely decorated with candles and pretty cakes arranged in bright colored baskets, all usually home made.

The richer households send good things to the poor, and everywhere among both rich and poor are the animals and birds remembered, says Our Dumb Animals. The boys and girls save up their pennies during the year for this purpose. Sheaves of grain are fastened to the window ledges in town, and in the country the sheaves are fastened to long poles and renewed every day for a week, and many are the birds that spy this feast. On the barn floors of the peasants bowls of hot porridge are set for poor "Robin Goodfellow" to comfort him because he has no "soul." The cows and the horses share in the general happiness by having a double share of food given them.

It is a big skip from the northland to the southland or tropical countries where Christmas is celebrated without the evergreen tree to decorate and hang gifts on. In Brazil the holiday may be spent outdoors in the sunny flower scented air.

They have quaint superstitions in these summer lands relative to Yuletide. On the coffee plantations the old folk say that on Christmas night the animals have the gift of speech and that if only a child has sufficient courage to go out alone after dark it will hear on the stroke of 12 the cock crow in a loud, clear voice from his highest perch:

"Christo nasceu"—Christ is born.

The bull in a deep, sonorous bass inquires from a distant field, "Onde"—where?

The sheep then answer in chorus, "Em Belem de Juda"—in Bethlehem of Judea.

In turn all the domestic animals give to the world the glad tidings of the Nativity. Many a child wishes it had the courage necessary to enable him to spend midnight outdoors and hear this wonderful conversation of the brute creation.

Read Democrat-Forum Want Ads.

CLASSIFIED ADVERTISING

WANTS

THAT BRING RESULTS

RATES IN THIS COLUMN

Classified ads running three days or more will be inserted in this column for one-half cent per word each insertion. No ads taken for less than 25c for three days.

Ads running less than three days or interrupted insertions 1 cent per word each insertion.

Count the words; send money with the order. Ads should be in by twelve o'clock to insure insertion in this column same day.

These prices are for cash with order. An extra charge of five cents will be made on all want ads when cash does not accompany the order.

FOR SALE

FOR SALE—1917 model Ford touring car; in A No. 1 shape. Has about $100 worth of extras on it. Call at Wray's garage. 7-13

FOR SALE—Three cars choice potatoes, 80c per bushel. Wickham Berry Farm, Salem, Nebr. 10-17*

FOR SALE—Few pure blood Buff Orpington roosters for $1.25 if taken soon. Mrs. D. O'Grady, Farmers 6-13. 11-13

FOR SALE— Barred Plymouth cockerels. Call Mrs. T. M. C. Neff, Farmers phone 8-13. 11-13

FOR SALE — One good full blood yearling Duroc Boar. H. H. McClurg, 3 miles southeast of Pickering. 11-17*

FOR SALE—Thoroughbred Poland-China boar, eighteen months old, weighing about 300 pounds, in ordinary flesh. Call at noon or in the evening. Farmers 37-20. Donahue, three miles north of K. C. depot. 12-14

FOR SALE — 60 acres 2½ miles south of Arkoe; 2 houses, barn 22x40 hen house, hog house, rock cave, 4 good wells, 400 rods woven wire fence, mile to good approved school; $100 per acre. Terms, $1750 down, balance on time. Martin Logan, Route 3, Barnard. Telephone Arkoe. 12-15

FOR SALE—Ford car, no top, at bargain. Better hurry. Wray's Garage. 13-15

FARMS FOR SALE — At bargain prices. I have for sale a number of choice, well improved farms in Vernon county, the banner county of the state this year. These farms are from 80 acres to 333 acres and are located from one to three miles of the best shipping points in Vernon county. Every farm is a real bargain and the prices are bound to rise soon. Liberal terms. J. L. SCOTT. Farmers Phone 34-0-11. 215 W. Seventh. 13-15*

FOR SALE — Pure bred Barred Rock cockerels, well barred and good bone. Call Mrs. Helen Moore, Ravenwood, Mo. 13-19*

TIMBER FOR SALE—30acres four miles of Barnard, Guilford and Conception. Sold by the acre; land to be cleared for the plow. See T. W. Costello, Conception Junction. 13-18*

FOR RENT

FOR RENT — Front rooms over South Side bakery, formerly occupied by U. S. Recruiting Station. Inquire of Kate Schenck. Hanamo 683. 30tf.

FOR RENT—5-room cottage at 1010 North Fillmore, in good condition. 11-13*

FOR RENT—Modern rooms. J. B. Whitehead, 504 East Third st. 11-13*

FOR RENT—7-room modern house except furnace. 421 corner 11th and Walnut. Albena Lornson. 11-17*

FOR RENT — Furnished rooms on lower floor. Call Farmers phone 61. 13-15*

MISCELLANEOUS

PLUMBING—We make a specialty of installing modern plumbing in old houses and remodeling old plumbing; estimates free. Standard Plumbing Co., Hanamo 46.

LOST—License No. 40963; tail lamp and bracket. Return to this office. 12-14*

FOR AUTO and Vehicle Painting see J. W. Linneman. Shop 118 South Buchanan St., Maryville. Satisfaction guaranteed. Hanamo 6338. 11-13*

NOTICE—To White Cloud township taxpayers: I will be at Barnard on Tuesdays and Saturdays and at Arkoe on Wednesdays and Maryville on Thursdays each week for balance of month. M. P. Ross, Collector. 11-13*

HELP the Y. M. C. A. by giving the High School boys your odd jobs. Call Charlie Bellows. Joe Kemp, chairman Red Triangle Club. 13-15

WANTED

WANTED—At once, pump or automatic shotgun; also bicycles and parts. Harry Price, Hanamo 115, Farmers 193. 11-13

WANTED—Good news correspondent at Burlington Junction, Hopkins, Skidmore, Barnard and Ravenwood. For further information write or call at Democrat-Forum office, Maryville, Mo.

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